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STATE BOARD MEETING

January 9 - 11, 1979

Villa Capri Motor Hotel
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ROOM ASSIGNMENTS *

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Anderson		
Wilbur		
Shlipak	Hunter	Sturgis
Appel	Carpenter	Perrine
Clark	Coggeshall	Polter
Keever	Clem	Cummins
Brown		

OVERVIEW OF SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Jan. 9	Noon	House & Senate convene: swearing in of new members
	1:00	Gov. Briscoe's address House rules discussion?
	Lunch on your own	
	2:00	Core committees meet
	4 - 6:00	Plenary session
	6 - 8:30	Dinner on your own
	8:30 - 10:00	Convention, Program Making, and Grants Administration committees meet
Wed., Jan 10	8:30 - 10	Committees meet
	10 - 12:30	Second Plenary Session to discuss Convention, including Budget
	12:30 - 1:30	Lunch
	1:30 - 5:00	TEF
	6:00	Dinner at Jan Albers'
Thurs., Jan 11	8:30 - 12:30	Third Plenary Session

* Helen, Beth, and I will be in the state office Monday night, Jan. 8th. If any of you prefer the office over the motel for Tuesday or Wednesday night(s), let Joann know.

January 1979 state board meeting

LWV-T Agenda

Tuesday

2:00 - 4:00 P.M.	Core Committees meet
4:00 - 6:00	First Plenary Session President's Report Minutes Treasurer's Report Project Outreach Keever
8:30 - 10:00 P.M.	Convention Committee Program Making Committee Grants Administration Committee

Wednesday

8:30 - 10:00 A.M.	VOTER, 8:30 School Finance Committee 8:30 Bylaws Committee 9:00 CI/VS 9:15 TEF Executive Committee 8:30 - 10:00
10:00 - 12:30	Second Plenary Session Convention Report Bylaws Budget
1:30 - 5:00 P.M.	TEF
6:00	Dinner at Jan Albers' Legislative Planning Committees

Thursday

	3rd Pl. Session
8:30 - 12:30 A.M.	Public Relations Core Report (relating to T) Organization Core Report Program Core Report Program Making Recommendations Legislative Session, including: Evaluation of briefings Legislative Day Capitol Corps, etc.

LWV-Texas
December, 1978
Pre-board Report

FROM: Betty Anderson

STATE BOARD MEETING ARRANGEMENTS -- Donna Green and Jan A. have been busily making the necessary arrangements for our meeting in January.

Since Rather House is not available, we will be at the Villa Capri. Donna will cater breakfasts in the suite and one dinner at Jan's Wednesday evening. Lunch (submit vouchers) will be on your own. Soup & Salad luncheons are available at the Villa Capri for $3.00 (or you may bring peanut butter). As you know, our lunch allowance is $2.50. Tuesday evening, dinner will be on your own. If you have any money left after the holidays, would you be willing to pay for this meal yourself (or fast). The motel will cost $110 more than Rather House. If we do not voucher for the Tuesday evening meal, we will save $68.00).

If you would like to be at the Capitol for the beginning of the session, we have allowed two hours for this.

Our main objectives at this meeting will be to complete:

- Convention plans, including bylaws, budget, and program making. (Barbara Jordan has declined our invitation; Governor-elect Clements has been invited);

- Legislative plans.

  Our work with the Bureau of National Affairs will be on a reduced scale this session. The BNA is subscribing to the Texas Legislative Service and "Texas Register," so legislative reporting will not be necessary. However, Cheryl Hazeltine will be available to provide them with information they may request in other areas relating to their topics of interest.

  We received $2805 from ABC Election Night Reporting. $575 went to Bunnie Sawin for a director's fee. We cleared $2230.

We need to discuss Recommendations to National League Board.

If you have any suggestions for changes or improvements in policies, procedures, and services of the national board, please describe. Give reasons.

Dear All...

A quick note to relay a message from Rita Wasmuth at LWV/US organization...

She says to tell you/us all that we are one of the best Leagues in the country...that she had just read our board reports on a day when she needed an uplift and got it from our reports...fund-raising, super; computerizing our bookkeeping, super...everything we're doing is grand...

Merry Christmas to all, friends...

Fondly,

Madeleine

12/13/78

TO: State Board
FROM: Helen Hunter
RE: Bylaws

LWV of Texas
Dec. 15, 1978
Preboard Report

The deadline for suggested bylaws changes is Dec. 30. At deadline for preboard I have not received any suggested changes except the Lubbock "Sunset" proposal. I understand that Houston LWV will present an amendment. I'll have that by board time. Please bring your copy of the Lubbock change.

If you have any suggestions please send them to me immediately.

I have one suggested change:

Article VIIIConvention
Sec. 2 Composition

The convention shall consist of the delegates chosen by members of the local Leagues, as provided in Sec. 4 of this Article, the presidents of local Leagues, or an alternate, in the event the president is unable to attend, and the members of the board of directors of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

Sec. 4 Representation The members of the League of Women Voters of the United States who are organized into recognized local Leagues in the state of Texas shall be entitled to voting representation in the convention as follows: the president of the local League or an alternate, in the event the president is unable to attend,one delegate for the first 15 voting members and one delegate for every 10 additional voting members or major fraction thereof belonging to said local League on January 1st of said year. The record in the state office of paid voting members shall determine the official membership count for this purpose.

This is in the Standard Bylaws for State Leagues. Although the present bylaws provides for the LL president as a delegate in addition to the number chosen by the members it does not specify that the president may have an alternate. This has been generally understood but perhaps should be spelled out.

This was clearedup for council when we changed the name from Presidents Council to Council and specified that each local League shall have 2 delegates.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND
BUDGETS FOR 1979 - 80

"A budget is a guide that reflects the priorities of the organization in terms of money. A budget is flexible enough for the board to plan its activities, but general enough to allow for unexpected expenditures or changing priorities. A budget is imaginative in that it translates creative ideas into dollars and cents; and at the same time it is realistic in terms of what those creative ideas will cost." These are some of the thoughts expressed at the budget committee meeting on November 13. We also defined our role in the budget making process as follows: "The committee proposes options for the board to consider. The committee does research and presents the results of that research to the board." These goals and responsibilities were considered very carefully in the preparation of the budget(s) on the following pages.

The LWV-Texas and TEF are supported financially by the local leagues. The PMP paid by local leagues accounts for the largest single item of income: about 60% of the T budget, none of the TEF, and about 30% of the combined budgets. Outside support from the community accounts for the next big item: 12% of the T budget, 60% of TEF, and about 40% of the combined budgets, including the restricted grants. The other large source of income, and expenses, is the "in-out" category; like council fees, DPM orders, etc. The "in-out"'s account for about 18% of the T budget, 30% of the TEF, and about 25% of the combined budgets.

Keeping the office open is the one big expense: about 25% of the T budget, 10% of the TEF, and about 20% of the combined budgets. The second biggest expense is "Board and Administrative": about 20% of the T budget, 6% of TEF, and about 12% of the combined budgets. As with the income, "in-out"'s account for about 18% of the T budget, 30% of TEF, and about 25% of the combined budgets. The other approximately 35% of the T budget, 45% of TEF, and about 40% of the combined budgets goes for the things that we think of in league as organization, public relations, program, and restricted grants.

The budget committee is presenting to you two budgets. We recommend Budget A. We feel that this budget allows for some flexibility and allows the board to do more of the things it would like to do. Budget A does mean that the PMP will be raised to $7.50. The committee did get a strong recommendation that the PMP not be raised; but we feel that Budget B with a $7 PMP is just too restrictive. These PMP recommendations are based upon the membership as of January 1, 1978. Neither Budget A nor Budget B will fund everything that league leaders would like. Both budgets allow for only two updates of the Voter mailing list a year, allow for no mini-board meeting in February, and some other reductions. It would take an additional 50¢ in PMP in order to fund these items.

Both budgets reflect additional sources of income for TEF. We recommend that all restricted grants have an administrative fee written into them and that the total of these fees be $900. The total for restricted grants is a "guess" only. The grants listed are those suggested to us. The board will have to decide which specific grants to try to get funded. The TEF budget also depends upon a "Fund Raising Event". This was suggested by the Development Chair as "An event (possibly a testimonial dinner) coordinated by the Development Chair and designed to raise significant funds for the TEF". These two TEF additional sources of income represent a saving of about 50¢ in PMP. Without them the PMP would have to be raised to $8 for Budget A and $7.50 for Budget B. If this were done the additional 50¢ could be paid with tax-deductible monies; such is not the case with the proposed budgets.

We do not intend to send all this material to the Local League Presidents nor to be a portion of the Convention Workbook. A condensed form, about half this size will be available for your consideration at the January Board meeting. Feel free to contact the chair or any of the committee members, if you have any questions concerning these budgets.

THE BUDGET COMMITTEE: Chair, Jeanette Vanderwater; Members, Martha Sarles, Myrtle McMahan, Lucy Polter, Carole Shlipak, Laura Keever; Ex-officio Members, Ethel Sturgis, Betty Anderson.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

INCOME	Actual 1977-78	Budget 1978-79	6 mo. actual 1978-79
A. Support			
1. Local League Support			
a. Per Member Payment (PMP)	-	$ 27,967	$ 12,683.65
b. Contributions	-	0	0
2. State Unit Support			
a. Member Dues	-	1,500	440.00
b. Finance Effort	$ 276.68	0	51.75
3. Dues, Members at Large	1,640.00	500	55.00
4. Provisional League Support	-	400	0
5. Contributing Member Support (Nat'l)	-	0	0
6. State's share of Nat'l Fund Raising	-	-	0
Sub-Total A		$ 30,367	$ 13,230.40
B. Interest On Savings	$ 573.11	$ 500	$ 161.12
C. Sale of Publications			
1. DPM's	$ 1,773.00	$ 1,900	$ 1,860.00
2. Standing Orders	1,391.00	1,680	1,358.00
3. Publications on Hand	601.33	800	1,191.70
4. "We Support"	481.65	0	72.27
5. Legislative Newsletters	-	1,050	28.00
Sub-Total C		$ 5,430	$ 4,509.97
D. Contributions			
1. Member Cash	$ 35.00	$ 150	$ 0
2. State Fund Raising, non-member	5,900.00	5,000	4,100.00
Sub-Total D		$ 5,150	$ 4,100.00
E. Contractual Services			
1. Election Night Reporting	$ 0	$ 2,825	$ 0
2. Bureau of National Affairs	251.25	300	0
Sub-Total E		$ 3,125	$ 0
F. Convention/Council			
1. Convention 1979	-	$ 500	$ 0
2. Council (78) 80	$ 2,996.69	-	0
Sub-Total F		$ 500	$ 0
G. Professional Assistance (in-kind)	$ 1,526.33	$ 2,125	$ 3,284.00
TOTAL INCOME			

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS December 1978

	Budget Draft A	Budget Draft B	Explanation
A.			
1.			
a.	$ 29,464	$ 27,500	The budget committee got a strong recommendation that the PMP be left at $7. Draft B represents $7; Draft A, $7.50. Both of these figures are based upon the membership as of January 1, 1978. At this time 11 local leagues pay the minimum, $250.
b.	0	0	Voluntary contributions in addition to the PMP.
2.			
a.	1,600	1,600	Based upon 80 members paying $20 each.
b.	400	400	State Units pay 25% of their finance drive receipts to LWV-Texas.
3.	1,000	1,000	Based upon 50 M-A-L paying $20 each.
4.	0	0	No provisional league is seen for next year.
5.	75	75	Based upon a rebate of $15 each for 5 members.
6.	20	20	National may adopt a sharing formula; this is LWV-T's part.
	$ 32,559	$ 30,595	
B.	$ 600	$ 600	Interest on investments and savings accounts.
C.			
1.	$ 1,800	$ 1,800	Ninety at $20 each.
2.	1,400	1,400	Two-hundred at $7 each.
3.	400	400	Sale of publications on hand.
4.	800	800	Sale of new edition this year.
5.	0	0	Non-legislative year.
	$ 4,400	$ 4,400	
D.			
1.	$ 50	$ 50	Fund raising by LWV-Texas.
2.	5,750	5,750	Fund raising by LWV-Texas, before sharing with LL.
	$ 5,800	$ 5,800	
E.			
1.	$ 0	$ 0	No election to report, 1979-80.
2.	0	0	No legislative session, 1979-80.
	$ 0	$ 0	
F.			
1.	$ 0	$ 0	No Convention, 1979-80.
2.	3,000	3,000	Council fees, matched by expense item P3.
	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	
G.	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	Donated services from the Advertising Agency and the Auditor.
	$ 48,859	$ 46,895	

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

EXPENSES	Actual 1977-78	Budget 1978-79	6 -mo. actual 1978-79
N. State Office			
1. Equipment Maintenance	$ 577.14	$ 600	$ 471.00
2. General Supplies	737.37	1,900	1,918.32
3. Postage	535.97	1,800	1,330.85
4. Telephone	754.34	1,050	587.66
5. Insurance	54.06	230	151.33
6. Rent	2,730.00	2,760	1,610.00
7. Salaries	9,652.57	10,880	5,357.25
8. Payroll Taxes	927.30	1,165	536.82
9. Audit and Tax Report	200.00	250	250.00
10. Equipment Purchases	165.97	1,515	1,514.75
11. Office Overhead	(2,845.20)	0	(1,869.51)
Sub-Total N		$ 22,150	$ 11,858.47
O. Board and Administrative			
1. President			
a. Travel, Per Diem, and Representation	$ 966.20	$ 1,200	$ 324.10
b. Secretarial Assistance	0	75	0
c. Telephone	268.91	350	111.28
d. Postage and Supplies	0	87	40.13
2. Treasurer	163.77	270	178.69
3. Board of Directors			
a. Tools	447.38	600	320.00
Training	357.03		0
b. Board Meetings, March with Council, June, September, and January meetings at Rather House, November meeting	5,666.78	6,400	3,184.52
c. Administration	345.25	225	36.76
d. Mailings to Board	1,013.92	2,000	938.11

	Budget Draft A	Budget Draft B	Explanation
N.			
1.	$ 655	$ 655	Mimeo, $130; Three typewriters, $135; Postage Meter, $170; Postage Scale, $50; Mailing Meter, $120; Miscellaneous, $50.
2.	1,500	1,500	Office supplies not charged to specific budget item, raised to reflect inflation.
3.	1,500	1,500	Postage not charged to specific budget item, raised to reflect inflation.
4.	1,000	1,000	Increased cost reflects policy change in that only high cost long-distance calls are charged to other budget items.
5.	190	190	Fire, $17; Liability, $52; Burglary, $28; Bonding, $42; Workman's Comp. $50.
6.	4,176	4,176	Building has been sold, so rent will probably go up. Estimate is based upon going rate of 60¢ per square foot.
7.	11,510	11,510	Executive Secretary at $625 a month for a 40-hour week. Clerk-Typist at $310 a month for a 25-hour week. An additional 100 hours at $2.90 per hour.
8.	1,313	1,313	Social Security, 6.13 %, $706; SUT, 4% of first $4,200 per employee, $329; FUT, 3.4% of first $4,200 per employee, $278.
9.	375	375	To audit books and to prepare tax reports.
10.	50	50	Miscellaneous equipment. No funds for accrual are included.
11.	(3,000)	(3,000)	Difference between actual supply cost and the 6¢ per page charged to other budget items.
	$ 19,269	$ 19,269	
O.			
1.			
a.	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	Fourteen, two-day, visits to the state office. Each visit: Travel, $60; Food, $16. Also includes an additional $136 for other trips.
b.	300	250	Budget A, 8hours per month; Budget B, 6 to 7 hrs. Both budgets at $3 per hour. No employer taxes.
c.	350	300	League phone in president's home to free family phone.
d.	120	120	Xeroxing, supply, and postage costs.
2.	275	275	Long distance telephone, supplies, & postage.
3.			
a.	510	510	Nineteen DPM's (Nat'l) at $20; Four LAS's (Nat'l) at $7.50; Miscellaneous tools, $100
	665	665	Trainer, $250; Food and Room for board for one extra day, $415.
b.	2,140	1,726	(18 SB plus 1 Staff) Travel, 19 @ $40, $760; Food, 19 @ $16, $304; Hotel, 19 @ $30 (2 days), $570; Child Care, $92; Budget A, an additional $414 for one day for leadership workshop, S3
	3,827	3,827	Each meeting, $1,258. Travel, 18 @ $40, $720; Food, 18 @ $16, $288; Room, 18 @ $10, $180; Child Care, $70. Also includes $53 for Budget Chair's expenses to January Board meeting.
	890	890	Mini-board meeting at members homes. Travel, 18 @ $40; Child Care, $70; Incidentals, $100
c.	200	200	Phone, supplies, & postage not handled by state office.
d.	1,500	1,500	Weekly mailings to board members.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

EXPENSES (cont'd)	Actual 1977-78	Budget 1978-79	6 -mo. actual 1978-79
O. Board and Administrative (cont'd)			
4. Administrative Committees			
a. Budget	$ 249.39	$ 325	$ 159.17
b. Development	72.97	250	44.79
c. Interim Committees	434.33	350	63.04
d. Nominating	112.04	457	480.35
Sub-Total O		$ 12,589	$ 5,880.94
P. Convention/Council			
1. State Council 1980 (78)	$ 3,454.12	$ 0	$ 0
2. National Convention 1980 (78)	1,168.69	0	0
Sub-Total P		$ 0	$ 0
Q. National Services			
1. M-A-L PMP	$ 209.00	$ 250	$ 207.00
2. State Unit PMP	-	750	675.00
Sub-Total Q		$ 1,000	$ 882.00
R. Public Relations			
1. Vice-President's Expenses	$ 53.00	$ 150	$ 59.82
2. Public Rel. Project and/or Workshop	163.10	120	41.34
3. VOTER	2,439.32	2,900	1,392.49
4. PSA Slides	281.35	-	0
5. Publications			
a. DPM's	1,267.91	1,900	776.24
b. Standing Orders	1,051.80	1,680	516.11
c. Publications on Hand	742.28	1,080	422.64
d. Legislative Newsletter	8.87	1,050	0
e. "We Support"	-	0	0
Sub-Total R		$ 8,880	$ 3,208.64
S. Organization			
1. Vice-President's Expense	$ 53.00	$ 150	$ 76.73
2. Field Service			
a. Representatives and Director	1,813.51	2,600	426.54
b. Special Consultants			105.61
3. Workshops			
a. President's	1,018.19	650	244.91
b. Leadership Workshop			
4. "Project Outreach" (New Leagues)	858.39	175	3.64
5. Membership	202.61	250	128.17

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS December 1978

	Budget Draft A	Budget Draft B	Explanation
O.			
4.			
a.	$ 211	$ 211	One meeting held same time and place as Nov. SB meeting, $135: Travel, 3 (off-board) @ $40; Incidentals, $15. Supplies, Postage & Phone, $76. Chair's expenses to Jan. SB included in O3b. Chair's expenses to Council included in P1.
b.	250	250	Expenses of fund-raising.
c.	300	300	Travel, etc. for special committee meetings held between board meetings.
d.	142	142	Supplies, postage, and phone. Expense of three members to Council included in P1
	$ 12,880	$ 12,366	
P.			
1.	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	Expenses of Council offset by Registration fees, F2. Does include cost of attendance of Budget Chair, three members of Nominating Com., and Off-Board Chairs as determined by the State Board. Does not include the cost of attendance of members of State Board and one Staff.
2.	1,450	1,450	Expenses of three delegates to Washington, D.C.
	$ 4,450	$ 4,450	
Q.			
1.	$ 500	$ 500	Fifty M-A-L @ $10 each based upon 1/1/79 memb.
2.	800	800	Eighty State Unit Members @ $10 each based upon 1/1/79 membership.
	$ 1,300	$ 1,300	
R.			
1.	$ 150	$ 150	Supplies, postage, and phone.
2.	0	0	Leadership Workshop, S3, instead.
3.	3,280	3,280	Four issues, $640 each not including mailing list update. Update mailing list twice at $360 each.
4.	100	100	Subject might be membership of local league or development.
5.			
a.	1,800	1,800	Ninety @ $20 each. Offset by item C1.
b.	1,400	1,400	Two-hundred @ $7 each. Offset by item C2.
c.	180	180	Cost of sale of publications.
d.	70	70	One issue after end of current fiscal year.
e.	700	700	Cost of publication, item C5. ("We Support")
	$ 7,680	$ 7,680	
S.			
1.	$ 200	$ 200	Supplies, postage, and phone.
2.			
a.	2,200	2,200	Travel, phone, postage and supplies.
b.	300	300	Upon request of the local league and under the direction of the field service director.
3.			
a.	200	200	Special workshop for local league presidents.
b.	1,000	104	Budget A: Leadership Workshop held with Council, Expenses of SB included in O3b.
4.	1,000	1,000	New project to organize new leagues and to strengthen existing weak leagues.
5.	100	100	Expenses of membership committee. Cost of membership aids for local leagues.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

EXPENSES (cont'd)	Actual 1977-78	Budget 1978-79	6 -mo. actual 1978-79
S. Organization (cont'd)			
6. Provisional League		$ 250	$ 17.74
7. State Unit Support		250	174.43
8. Publications to State Units		340	46.52
9. Publications to M-A-L	$ 269.43	425	139.19
10. Mailings to Local League Presidents	1,696.59	1,900	1,138.57
Sub-Total S		$ 6,990	$ 2,502.05
T. Program			
1. Vice-Presidents' Expense	$ 53.00	$ 300	$ 124.18
2. Program Action	730.01	2,600	139.79
3. Other Program Expenses	724.42	840	330.42
4. Coalitions	-	100	53.00
Sub-Total T		$ 3,840	$ 647.39
U. Legislative Office	$ 92.83	$ 3,491	$ 25.00
V. Professional Assistance (In-kind)	$ 1,526.33	$ 2,125	$ 3,284.00
W. Contract Services	$ 10.81	$ 250	$ 575.00
X. Local League Share of State Fund Raising	$ 1,470.00	$ 1,700	$ 1,235.00
Y. LWV-TEF Reimbursement			
1. Office Overhead	$ (4,224.05)	$(7,300)	$ 0
2. Board and Administrative	(3,135.05)	(3,960)	0
3. VOTER	(664.07)	(725)	0
4. Mailings to LL Pres., State Unit, M-A-L	(329.75)	(533)	0
Sub-Total Y		$ (12,518)	$ 0
Z. Transfer to LWV-TEF		$ 0	$ 0
TOTAL EXPENSES			

	Budget Draft A	Budget Draft B	Explanation
S.			
6.	$ 0	$ 0	None in sight for next year.
7.	250	250	Cost of leadership materials and special services for the State Units.
8.	560	560	Publications sent to State Unit members. Eighty @ $7 each.
9.	350	350	Publications sent to M-A-L. Fifty @ $7 each.
10.	1,800	1,600	Ten monthly mailings. Forty leagues @ $40 each for Draft B. Draft A, $45 each.
	$ 7,960	$ 6,864	
T.			
1.	$ 300	$ 250	Supplies, postage, and phone.
2.	2,600	2,300	Draft B is broken down by item as follows: AJ, $375; Energy, $375; Water, $375; HR, $375;
3.			Gov't, $200; Air, $200; PTR, $200; CZM-LU, $100; Solid Waste, $25; IR, $25; Uncommitted, $50 Draft A, an additional $300 to distribute.
4.	100	100	Dues to other organizations, etc.
	$ 3,000	$ 2,650	
U.	$ 250	$ 250	Cost of final wrap-up of legislative office.
V.	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	Donated services by Advertising Agency & Auditor. See Item G.
W.	$ 0	$ 0	No contract services. See Item E.
X.	$ 1,925	$ 1,925	Percentage of state fund raising as determined by sharing formula.
Y.			
1.	$ (6,423)	$ (6,423)	One-third of state office expenses, item N, based upon time spent.
2.	(4,163)	(4,122)	One-third of board and administrative expenses, item O, excluding "Development"and "Nominating" based upon time spent.
3.	(1,312)	(1,312)	Forty percent of costs of VOTER, item R3.
4.	(542)	(502)	One-fifth the cost of mailings to these groups.
	$ (12,440)	$ (12,359)	Items, S 8-10.
Z.	$ 85	$ 0	
	$ 48,859	$ 46,895	

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

INCOME	Actual 1977-78	Budget 1978-79	6 - mo. actual 1978-79
A. Contributions			
1. Unrestricted	$ 7,368.25	$ 10,050	$ 745.00
2. Tribute Gifts	20.00	200	160.00
3. Restricted Cash	12,159.00	69,100	4,892.50
4. Local League Restricted Funds	8,166.19	10,450	5,558.79
5. State League Share of National Fund Raising	-	-	0
Sub-Total A		$ 89,800	$ 11,356.29
B. Interest	$ 3,214.25	$ 2,605	$ 917.14
C. Administrative Fees			
1. Local League Accounts	$ 391.02	$ 550	$ 32.62
2. Restricted Grants	-	-	0
Sub-Total C		$ 550	$ 32.62
D. Sale of Publications			
1. Voter Guides	$ 3,124.77	$ 3,000	$ 2,454.40
2. Public Subscription Service	630.00	900	105.00
3. Current Issue Publication (1)	-	4,600	311.87
Sub-Total D		$ 8,500	$ 2,871.27
E. Special Fund-Raising Event	-	-	-
F. Professional Assistance	$ 3,052.67	$ 3,050	$ 0
TOTAL INCOME			

EXPENSES	Actual 1977-78	Budget 1978-79	6 -mo. actual 1978-79
N. Shared Services with LWV-Texas and Administrative			
1. Shared Services			
a. Office Overhead	$ 4,224.05	$ 7,300	$ 136.00
b. Trustees Meetings, etc.	3,135.05	3,960	0
c. VOTER	664.07	725	0
d. Mailings to LL Pres., State Units, M-A-L	329.75	533	0
e. Audit	240.74	125	0
2. Administration			
a. Supervision of LL Accounts	-	0	0
b. Legal Retainer	-	0	0
c. Equipment Purchases	-	595	595.00
Sub-Total N		$ 13,238	$ 731.20

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND December 1978

	Budget Draft A	Budget Draft B	Explanation
A.			
1.	$ 10,400	$ 10,400	Results of state-wide fund raising after local league share of unrestricted and restricted contributions have been posted to item A4.
2.	600	600	Increased effort at securing funds through new expense item, O2b.
3.	27,050	27,050	$27,950 less administrative fee, item C2.
4.	10,650	10,650	No administrative fee on $4,000. $7,000 less the 5% administrative fee.
5.	10	10	Texas's share of national fund raising, final details pending by national.
	$ 48,710	$ 48,710	
B.	$ 2,600	$ 2,600	Interest on Investments.
C.			
1.	$ 350	$ 350	Five percent of $7,000 raised by local leagues.
2.	900	900	Administrative fee charged on restricted grants.
	$ 1,250	$ 1,250	
D.			
1.	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	An amendments election, November 1979, and the Primary, May 1980. Matched by item O1f.
2.	600	600	Publications sent to public on subscription service. Matched item P2b.
3.	1,600	1,600	Publication (1) and Leaders Guide (2) on current issues adopted by Convention. Matched by items, P1 and P2a.
	$ 6,200	$ 6,200	
E.	$ 1,150	$ 1,150	Profit only from a special event.
F.	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	Donated Services by the Advertising Agency and the Auditor.
	$ 62,910	$ 62,910	

	Budget Draft A	Budget Draft B	Explanation
N.			
1.			
a.	$ 6,423	$ 6,423	One-third of entire item N (LWV-T budget). Charges are based upon time spent.
b.	4,163	4,122	One-third of item O (LWV-T budget), excluding O4b and O4d. Charges based on time spent.
c.	1,312	1,312	Forty percent of item R3 (LWV-T budget).
d.	542	502	One-fifth of items S 8-10 (LWV-T budget).
e.	0	0	This item is included in N1a above.
2.			
a.	200	200	Cost of supervising LL TEF projects.
b.	0	0	No need anticipated.
c.	0	0	No purchases anticipated.
	$ 12,640	$ 12,559	

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

EXPENSES (cont'd)	Actual 1977-78	Budget 1978-79	6-mo. actual 1978-79
O. Public Relations, Unrestricted			
1. Voter Service and Citizen Education			
a. Voter Service and Cit. Inf.	$ -	$ 200	$ 20.29
b. Communications	-	300	0
c. Public Service Announcements	-	100	35.61
d. League News Service	-	500	133.93
e. Precinct Participation	71.89	5,000	0
f. Voter Guides	3,611.53	3,000	3,234.14
2. Development	$ 776.85	$ 1,000	$ 389.28
a. External Contributions			
b. Membership Contributions			
Sub-Total O		$ 10,100	$ 3,813.25
P. Program, Unrestricted			
1. Current Issue Development (2)	$ 818.11	$ 5,300	$ 236.14
2. Publications			
a. Current Issue (1)			
b. Public Subscription Service	-	840	.74
c. Promotion	-	-	-
3. Monitoring	133.30	650	25.00
4. Research and Resource Activities	528.65	406	158.08
5. Educational Conferences	214.70	200	132.50
Sub-Total P		$ 7,396	$ 552.46
Q. Publications and Projects, Restricted	$ 12,086.46	$ 68,675	$ 1,149.89
R. Local League Restricted Funds	$ 9,687.81	$ 10,450	
1. Projects			$ 1,825.12
2. Purchases			126.88
Sub-Total R			$ 1,952.00
S. Professional Assistance (in-kind)	$ 3,052.67	$ 3,050	$ 0
T. From LWV-T	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
TOTAL EXPENSES			

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND December 1978

	Budget Draft A	Budget Draft B	Explanation
O.			
1.			
a.	$ 0	$ 0	Chair and committee expenses.
b.	300	300	Free mailings to the public.
c.	200	200	Public Service Announcements on citizen participation.
d.	300	300	Costs of preparation and distribution of state wide news releases.
e.	300	300	Costs of precinct participation.
f.	4,000	4,000	Cost of Voter Guides for the Amendment Election in 1979 and the Primary in 1980. Match by sales, item D1.
2.			
a.	1,200	1,200	Costs of development of non-member contributions.
b.	255	251	Costs of development of contributions from league members and of memorial gifts.
	$ 6,555	$ 6,551	
P.			
1.	$ 800	$ 800	Research and publication costs for "Leaders Guides" on two current issue items.
2.			
a.	800	800	Printing costs for one saleable publication, like "Facts and Issues". Matched by sales, D3.
b.	600	600	Costs of publications sent on public subscription service, matched by item D2.
c.	200	200	Promotional costs of sale of publications.
3.	200	200	Costs of monitoring selected governmental agencies.
4.	300	300	Background material for conducting workshops, producing publications, etc.
5.	200	200	Costs of attendance at selected conferences.
	$ 3,100	$ 3,100	
Q.	$ 27,050	$ 27,050	Suggestions (all less the 5% administrative fee): Energy Conference, $20,000; Energy Briefs, $500; Ad. of Justice Handbook, $750; Government Briefs, $1,000; Ad. of Justice Seminar, $12,000; Redistricting, $1,000; Water Conference, $18,000; Transportation Conference, $5,000; Conference on Rural Problems, $5,000; HR Newsletter, $100; HR Workshop, $200.
R.			
1.	$ 6,650	$ 6,650	LL Projects approved by state board.
2.	4,000	4,000	Purchases, and other authorized expenditures, by local leagues, which are not subject to the 5% administrative fee.
	$ 10,650	$ 10,650	
S.	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	Donated services by Advertising Agency and the Auditor.
T.	$ (85)	$ 0	A bookkeeping item to make totals balance. It will be removed in final budget.
	$ 62,910	$ 62,910	

January 1979 state board meeting

TEF Agenda

Wednesday

1:30 Chair's Report
Minutes
Treasurer's Report

2:00 Development

2:30 VS/CI Project Review
Name of the Game
When You Go to Austin

3:00 Program Project Review

Energy: A Dialogue III -- postponed
Nuclear Waste Documentary
Environmental Legislation Conference Report
Urban Crisis -- film not purchased because it did not fit our needs
Adult Corrections F&I

Possible TCH project

4:00 Local League

Requests:

San Antonio
- Feb. 2 Urban Crisis Seminar
- Mar. 2 Seminar on Amendment 1 & Prop. 13

Project Review:

- Dallas budget making -- Perrine
- Dallas zoning practices -- Polter

4:45 Report on Plano contract service

LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS of TEXAS
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Carole Shlipak

December 16, 1978

PRE-BOARD REPORT

1. Receipt of contributions:

Fikes Foundation - to TEF - LL share: $ 750 to Dallas
$ 2500

(this is a decrease from$ 5,000 the previous two years; no reason given....)

LTV to T LL share: $ 30 to Dallas
$ 100

2. 12 $teps to a $upurbly $uccessful Finance Campaign - copy has been submitted to Diana T. who is handling its preparation. It should be in the hands of LLs (Pres, PR VP, and Fin. Ch.) in January.

3. Restricted grant for HOW THE Texas Legislature Works - am looking for an appropriate donor.....

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Pre-board TEF--Jan Wilbur

1. Environmental Legislation Conference--attendees partially funded by the EQ pass-though grant: Betty Anderson, Catherine Perrine, Meg Titus, Laura Keever, and Jan Wilbur. (Eleanor Sutherland could not come but through slow communications, registration fee was paid for her. We cannot get a refund.)
   The conference was very well done although it was a disappointment that some of the expected speakers failed to show--Doug Costle and Adlene Harrison were two no-shows. The panels were well balanced and each had a humanist comment on the issue which added an interesting dimension (in most cases). Preliminary expense figures indicate wewill exceed the allotted funds by between $10-$50 depending on whether we pay all of Nana's expenses and what Meg's hotel bill is. Would like your approval to take extra money out of S.2 (attendance at Conferences and workshops).
   The upcoming issue of Enviro-notes will be devoted to reports of the various sessions.

2. Nana Rylander attended the municipal water conservation conference in Chicago Nov. 28-29. The Clean Water Fund came through with all of Nana's transportation costs. I would like us to pay Nana's out of pocket expenses for room and ground transportation ($41.20) from the EQ pass-through grant (or S.2). Nana has written a comprehensive report. Madeleine suggests we might want to put out another issue of Enviro-notes devoted to municiapl water conservation. What's your pleasure?

3. Envrio-notes: Per your instructions, I will approach Terry Hershey with aleternative proposals for funding: re-fund Envior-notes (with an off-board person handling it); fund publication of VOTER inserts; or fund League News Service articles on environmental issues. Will report results at board meeting.

2. (cont.) According to Ethel's figures we have $270 left to fund the current issue of E-N and a January issue, if we choose to go with it. This includes a contribution from Lt. Col Hennies (a m-a-l) and one from Ruth Lofgren.

4. In reviewing minutes, I find the approval of paying Jan C.'s registration fee for the "Onshore Impacts..." Conference is not reflected therein. Move we correct the September minutes to reflect this approval (or approve it in retrospect at this meeting.)

Pre-board Report LWV-T--Jan Wilbur

1. State program making--Have received five reports so far. Three of them suggested new program itesm.
   I had had some trepidation when I included the final question on the report form which allowed leagues to specify that they wished no new state program study. Well, none of the five checked that option.
   A verbal report of the Houston league's program making meeting andluncheon indicates it was the most lively they've had in several years--lots of suggestions. Looks like the budget better include funding for a state study item.

2. Landlord-tenant legislation--National replied that this does fall under the national position.
   "The LWVUS agrees with the Dallas League's conclusion that enforcement of tenant-landlord laws, such as the model law endorsed by the American Bar Association, would encourage the maintenance of the housing supply and provide greater equality of opportunity in housing...."
   Accordingly, I have given Dallas the green light to contact other local Leagues for their support of landlord-tenant legislation.

3. Jan C. (and Kathleen Kenefick, Brazos Co.) reviewed the Wisconsin film on urban crisis and decided it would not be appropriate to Texas. For a detailed report on how a simple job can mushroom into one big headache, ask Jan.

4. Hope you all read Laura's comments on the "Draft report to the President by the Interagency Review Group on Nuclear Waste Management." (If you think the comments are long and complex, you should see what she had to read!) I call your particular attention to sec. 2 under Institutional Issues on p. 5. It's important for us to remember that
   "While the LWV-T does not support an arbitrary "veto power" being extended to states, states should havethe right to veto nuclear waste disposal sites if they are persuaded that environmental or safety problems are not adequately addressed...."

5. Meanwhile on the water front--Marshall/harrison County League is opposing drawing water from Caddo Lake to supply Shreveport. They are keeping in touch with Shreveport LWV and with Catherine on that. Latest word is that they want us to oppose the Red River Compact in its present form. Catherine tells me it has taken years of negotiations involving a cast of thousands to arrive finally at the Compact which has already been approved by the Louisiana Legislature and maybe one other state (?).
   Catherine will bring us the latest word on this issue.

6. Have you suggestions on the way to conduct program development breaks at Convention? In Fort Worth, we had (ahem) our management by objective exercise. How should the groups be divided--arbitrarity? by program items? big league, small league? Should the discussion by unstructured? Structured along the lines of what we did in Lubbock? Structured some other way? I'd liek to have your suggestions before board meeting but if that's not possible bring themto board meeting, please.

7. The three Jans and Lucy and Laura will probably meet before the board meeting to arrive at some suggestions on what to do with our school finance positions (unless it says in the agenda that we will meet some time during the board meeting). Any suggestions on that issue would be welcome as well.

Preboard report - Adult Corrections
from Lucy Polter and Diana Clark

December 18, 1978

We hope that there will be some time, perhaps one evening, when we can share our three-day experience of prison affairs. We need to talk about what we saw and what we felt about what we saw not only to get your reactions but to test some of our preliminary conclusions.

We visited the Ferguson Unit (first offenders from 17-21-male) Saw cells, unoccupied at the time, painted bright colors, reasonably clean, very small to have to hold three. Wide corridors with lines painted on floor. Inmates must walk between wall and painted line only (single file) for security reasons...guards can see down corridors to prevent hanky panky?. School bright and well equipped. Run by a regular school district. Visited all vocational shops--machine, auto repair, meatcutting, etc. Not used at time of day of our visit. Mess hall clean, prisoners allowed to talk in reasonable tones. Did not see administrative segregation or solitary unit. The thought of three locked up in a single sell for ad. seg. bothersome. Came home to find there had been a bad incident just before we had arrived. Perhaps that is why we did not meet warden. Food adequate if heavy. Overall impression subdued, tightly controlled. No fear. (Also watched brooms & mops being made.

Afternnon visit to hospital at "Walls" unit. five stories where patients on stretchers must be strapped in a basket to get up narrow stairs or tiny elevator. Reasonably clean, not full. Paraplegic ward most distressing. First floor clinics terribly crowded. Built in 1933 needs to be torn down. Health care looked reasonable to LP.

In pouring rain saw all the industry and shops at this unit. Textile mill straight out of Dickens. Even with earplugs I would be deaf in an hour. Inmates manning machinery issued ear plugs and masks...many not wearing them. Provides <u>all</u> uniforms, bedding, towels, etc for the entire system from the raw cotton to finished product. Machinery repair shops comparable to free world but much cleaner and neater. Construction division cheerful office, inmate draftsmen. We were told by Const. div. chief that all can get excellent jobs in free world. We can believe it. Did not see inmate living quarters on this unit. Did see magnificent brass bars in visiting area.

Second day..visit to Diagnostic Unit where all new inmates come for processing. Same impression generally as got from Ferguson. Howevery, inmates very subdued (I suppose those coming thru for second or third time were more bored than scared). After all testing and screening, nothing much to do so inmates spend a lot of time in cells.

Meeting and lunch with (male) warden of Goree Unit for women. More like a typical prison than was Mountain View. Relatively cheerful. Some older cell blocks dreary but at least women can have more personal things around than can the men who are limited to what can fit on a shelf over cell door. Women knit or chochet spreads, etc. Classrooms very cheerful, garment factory well lit. (Only industry at this unit) Women not required to walk single file in corridors

Second afternoon and third morning....interviews with division heads. Treatment, in which we had most questions was newly promoted. Had been former administrative assistant to Estelle which meant that he had taken a lot of flack in the past few months. He also had a terrible cold. We talked a lot about educational opportunities and found that limits on vocational training is mainly space. Inmates apply to participate when courses are advertised thru system. Only accepted after review of record and opinion of counselor (DC is not sure just who is considered a "counselor") Also touched on pre-release programs. Interview was too short for indepth coverage of all inmate affairs with which this division is responsible.

We learned more than we wanted to know (almost) about agriculture. Most interesting fact is that budget has so far not allowed much to be spent on improving the land used for pasture or crops. Nor has the available land increased to provide food, yet the inmate population to be fed has doubled in past 10 years. System owns 105,000 acres

Legal division chief reviewd statutes. Discussed "Ruiz" although he personally has little to do with case directly. The Attorney General's office is handling it as it does all suits against the system (it sounded like there are always a lot). Is also in charge of a staff of 12 inmate lawyers who handle civil matters-divorce, child custody, etc. They do not represent inmates with suits aginst the system. (The lawyers are not inmates, they represent them)

Industries Division...seemingly more interested in making money for the system than in training inmates, or even keeping them busy. Money goes into a revolving fund.

Construction Division....always has plenty of work for inmates. Covers all maintenance too. Has building trades training programs. One at college level uses union teachers --plumbing and electrical mostly. By using inmate labor, 1/3 to 1/2 cost savings. Inmates can be in a special trusty classification earning "good time". We think Texas' good time law is quite liberal and probably substitutes for pay.

Special Services division head not available. Talked to personnel chief. They do have problems at lowestlevel of correctional officers. Low salary primary problem. Legislature must solve. Ratio of 1 c.o to 11 inmates is set by legis. Presently exceeded by overcrowding.

Business division chief...very capable, should have been on Broadway. Explained budget, need for prison in Valley (good ag. land with enuf water is reason) "west Texas is too dry and too cold for ag" What defines "west Texas?"

Perhaps it was a fitting end to three extremely interesting, but depressing days. When we woke up at 6:30 a.m., all the electricity in the Institute of Contemporary Corrections hotel where we were staying went out. We crept down four flights of stairs in the pitch dark. Have you ever tried to put toothpaste on the brush with your eyes shut? It had rained hard most of the time and Friday morning everything was frozen, including the windshield wipers on Lucy's car. Fortunately it stopped raining and we got back to Dallas exhausted both physically and mentally, lbut knowing a lot more than when we started and very glad we went.

A VERY HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL

FROM: Jan Albers

LWV-Texas
January, 1978
Pre-board report

If this report seems somewhat incoherent the reasons are: 1) the kids are driving me crazy; 2) trying to help finish husband's new office building; 3) Christmas shopping not done yet, etc., etc.

The plan to hire a work-study student to help out on L.O. and monitoring didn't work out for a number of reasons. So I then called UT Volunteer Services and the gal there was most excited about finding students to help monitor. Three students have already called me and one even has legislative experience. I visit with each about his/her interests, send a priorities flyer, annual report, and anything else that seems appropriate, and tell them we'll get in touch in January after their class schedule is finalized. Needless to say, I don't know how this will work out, but it certainly seems worth a try.

Unless it gets too expensive, my plan is to obtain two copies of each bill that relates to issues included in our priorities flyer. One copy will remain in new office filing cabinet (thanks to the Lynn Albers lend-lease program), and the other copy will go to the appropriate program chair.

The following procedures are suggested:

1. Program chair receives second copy of bill and notifies LO immediately . . .

   a. don't worry about it;
   b. will take some time to look over -- we may act on it;
   c. ready to recommend action -- if so, please send analysis with reasons for support or opposition to LO with copies to president and program vice-president. If I don't hear from either, and concur with recommendation, and there is room, it will go in the newsletter (COPY FOR WHICH SHOULD ARRIVE IN THE OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY);
   d. let LO know if this bill is important enough to warrant testimony, either written or oral, and who will be responsible for the testimony (if program chair is unable to testify, don't count on an Austin League member, just prepare written testimony.) The LO will check with sponsors of bills we support to find out if sponsor wants us to keep low profile or be visible. If progr m chair has already contacted sponsor, let LO know.
   e. you may wish to write an analysis of a bill "For Your Information" only, but I hope this won't happen too often, as newsletter should primarily be used for issues needing action.

2. Because LO may not know the importance of some bills (we don't read them before we send them out), program chairs will receive the only copy of some bills. Bill will be so noted.

   Procedure then:

   a. let LO know if we should get another copy;
   b. follow previous suggested procedure.

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The suggested agenda for Legislative Day, February 28, is:

9:30	Registration begins
10:00	Welcome and announcements
10:10	Speech on a priority
11:00	Concurrent briefings by program chairs
11:45	Recess for lunch
1:30	Short film on "The Living Law" available
2:00	Afternoon session begins with speech on a priority
2:45	Repeat of concurrent briefings
3:30	On your own at the capitol
3:30	Short film on "The Living Law"
5:00 - 8:00	
or	
5:30 - 8:30	Reception for legislators by Donna Green, et al

Question: What should be in kits for Legislative Day besides:

1. How the Legislature Works by Janice May
   and
   How a Bill Becomes a Law
2. Lobby Do's & Don'ts
3. Priorities flyer
4. Guide to the 66th Legislature
5. Info on restaurants and other logistical material
6. Do program chairs want to prepare updates on their areas or just pass those out to people attending their briefing?

Maybe PR core could come up with a sheet on developing a PR campaign around a state issue. Info on how to make a state issue a local issue, how to involve the media, public, and League members.

Several people have asked about a phone tree for action alerts. I prefer not to set one up now, as each issue needs a certain kind of response, usually not a general response, and I think I can organize a tree in 15 minutes if necessary.

For Program Core:

Please remind me to talk about:

1. Strategy to use in killing legislation
2. Writing testimony now for general issues like D.C. ratification
3. How am I to know when program chairs receive bills from other sources than LO
4. The additional elderly exemptions and tax freeze permitted by tax relief amendment.

Water

PREBOARD FOR JANUARY, 1979

FROM: Catherine Perrine

Happy Holidays!

My favorite quote of the season:
Brazos River Authority General Manager Walter Wells, addressing the Governor's Water Task Force on the topic of President Carter's water policy--
"We're all for conservation, but not the President's definition. Are we going to capitulate and say reduce the use of water, or are we going to fight for what we believe?"

Jan A.--Many thanks for the two bills. I'll report on these & other prospects at the Bd. meeting. Here's another one to look for: legislation to boost the value of the $176,000 remaining in the Water Development Fund to $1.7 billion. It works something like this: The TWDB Board sells the bonds authorized and puts the money in a reserve fund; then issues more bonds with a 10% guarantee of the bonding commitment from the reserve fund. River Authorities, MUDs, etc. would pledge revenues from water supply projects for the latter bonds, with the state reserve fund as back-up. The front page of this week's Texas Water Report is devoted to this brainstorm of "bonds expert W. E. (Buck) Tinsley," who suggested it to Gov.'s Water Task Force. Proposed title: "Regional Water Supply Act of 1979."

And another: Rumor (Stuart Henry) has it that Vincent, Elkins is drafting a bill that would enable developers--as in Ft. Bend & Harris Counties--to build their levees without the inconvenience of getting them approved by the Texas Water Commission.

Enclosed (or on the back if Joann is in a paper-saving mood) is a letter from Marshall/Harrison County Pres. Sallie Gullion. I have suggested via phone, and will do so again in writing, that she get assent for their position (that the Red River Compact should not be approved until protection is provided for Caddo Lake) from other Leagues in the Red River Basin: Wichita Falls, Lamar County, and Sherman. Will also write Herb Grubb asking the status of their "firm yield" studies on Caddo, which were in progress last time I inquired. What the Marshall people want is a definite limit on the quantity of water that can be pumped from the lake by Shreveport. We'll need to write the Arkansas, Oklahoma, & Louisiana Leagues if we give them the OK to testify and lobby on this.

Speaking of Arkansas, today's mail brought a hot-off-the-press copy of the water supply section of the Arkansas State Water Plan, detailing the various studies that need to be made prior to any interstate agreement for export of water from those basins where surpluses may exist in some years and some months. Copy was courtesy of Arkansas LWV water chair Lois Imhoff.

Nana Rylander did to to the Chicago conference on water conservation (yes, that means using less to EPA), found it very interesting, & has written an article on it for the next (final?) Enviro-Notes. She has also agreed to come to Dallas for an EPA conference Jan. 24-25 on coordinating water quality requirements & water supply planning. Joanne Adams (LWV-San Antonio), who has served on the S.A. "201" advisory committee on construction grants planning, and I went to an EPA planning meeting last week on public participation in "201" committees, also attended by LWV people from other states in the region.

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2800 Waubun
Marshall, TX 75670
December 4, 1978

Katherine Perrine
League of Women Voters
of Texas

Dear Katherine:

During this session of the Texas Legislature the Red River Compact will come up for consideration. We have some reservations about the Compact which we would like for you to consider.

The portion of the Compact which refers to Caddo Lake makes use of the term "conservation storage capacity." Although that term is defined in the compact, it is not clearly defined as it pertains to natural lakes, particularly Caddo. We fear that the term may mean all the water in the lake.

Shreveport, Louisiana, has submitted a request to the New Orleans Corps of Engineers to build a pipeline of 100 million gallons per day capacity. We fear that Shreveport's withdrawal endangers Marshall's water supply and the ecological balance of this unique lake. There is no protection in the Red River Compact for either eventuality.

We request the support of the League of Women Voters of Texas in lobbying to prevent the passage of the Red River Compact in the Texas Legislature in its present form.

Sincerely,

Sallie Gullion

Sallie Gullion, President
League of Women Voters of
Marshall/Harrison County

cc: Ben Z. Grant, State Representative
League of Women Voters of Shreveport

Pre Board Report

From: Louise Cummins

I. On the annual report to LWVUS I am asked to respond to the following question:

" C. Citizen participation is now mandated for many government programs. Has your experience shown that these requirements make an impact on the way these programs are carried out? Please give specific examples."

I have mixed feelings about some of the citizen participation I have observed. If any of you have some specific examples would you please jot them down for me or tell me about them at the board meeting?

II. Following you will find the revised guideline for Local Leagues who wish to take action on an item ~~that~~ on which there is no state position.

(over for guidelines)

TAKING ACTION---GUIDELINES FOR LOCAL LEAGUES

In our lobby efforts with the state legislature it is important to remember that the strength of the League of Women Voters lies in the fact that we take concerted action and speak with one voice. Because of limited people power and other resources it is important that our major lobbying efforts be focused on the legislative priorities determined by the board of directors of the State League.

We recognize that occasionally a local league will have spent a good deal of time studying an issue which requires state legislation for implementation. The following guidelines will help local leagues when they need to take action at the state level on an issue on. which there is no state position.

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When the issue in question requires action for only the area of the state where that particualr league is located the local league should:

1) Obtain local board authorization
2) Inform the state board to be sure there are no conflicts

An example of the above would be where there is a bill in the legislature to build a hospital in Midland. The Midland League supports the building as a result of a local study. The Midland League could lobby for the bill.

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When the issue in question will be one on the which the state league has no position and when it would require a solution that would affect other areas of the state, the local league should:

1) Obtain local board authorization to act
2) In form the state league board
3) Outline the affected positions, their relationship to pending legislation or regulations, and the action requested
4) Send plans and proposals to all local leagues affected by the proposed action
5) All local leagues affected must then reply promptly and must:
   a) assent to the proposed action
   b) raise no objection to the proposal (Note: failure to reply is regarded as assent)
   c) object and give reasons
6) The local league requesting the action must then send the data from the responses to the state office with copies to the president and the program vice-president. The state board or the legislative executive committee will then consider the proposal and either grant or deny permission to act.

An example of the above would be when a local league with a position on libraries would ask permission to have other leagues with like positions join them in the lobbying for more state funds for libraries.

PRE-BOARD REPORT

Laura Keever

First, I enjoyed the EQ Legislative Conference enormously. It was particularly helpful to talk to Bill Keese and his aide--Bill is going to introduce an omnibus solar energy bill, and I'm delighted to be in on the beginning of that. (For a change, I'll have something comparable to property tax reform, instead of several "little" bills--though of course we will still have those too!) I have had several communiques with Bill's aide, and I hope the omnibus bill will be a good one.

The status of retrofitting of state buildings is indeterminate. I was able to add to the legislation the Texas Energy Advisory Council is supporting a statement on retrofitting of state-owned buildings (my motion passed unanimously--whoopee!) but I'm not at all sure what that means. I think Gov. Hobby then chooses that legislation which he wants to support and has it prepared (or sees that it gets prepared)--whether or not he will choose this is anybody's guess--he at least seemed impressed with my figures of what we could save, but he could have been just being tolerant that day. Rep. Barrientos' aide that was interested in this is leaving to work for Bob Armstrong; I have no idea if her replacement will be interested. I ~~will~~ hope to see Barrientos after the first of the year.

TOP NEWS OF ALL! The TEAC accepted the recommendation of the Environmental Committee (advisory) that a special committee be formed to look at policy issues of nuclear energy in a comprehensive manner. The committee will report back to the Council and then to the legislature & governor by next September 1. And I have been appointed chairman! I have wanted to do this for several years; I am absolutely thrilled to have this chance to work with outstanding people, make the trips we need to make, hold the hearings we need to hold, etc. and really do an outstanding job. I think it is an opportunity to really do something positive for the State of Texas--and, happily, for the League as well. As you can tell, I'm on Cloud 9.

Carole, I have had my interview with Don Crawford, and I think it went very well--despite the fact that I went into his office without a stitch of underwear on. I hope I will be allowed to have 2 minutes of board time to explain that statement--I'll know by your comments how many of you read this far in my board report. I think they will contribute $1,000, though I suggested that between $2,000 and $12,000 would be appropriate! So much for that approach!

The Project Outreach Committee has met once and plans to meet once more before the board meeting. I am pleased with our progress, though we still have a lot of thinking to do.

The statement on nuclear waste storage is enclosed for those of you who have the stamina to read. I forget what a pleasure it is to do something substantive.

Happy holidays to all of you. It is a pleasure for me to serve with you.

P.S. I am fairly pleased with the revisions to the policy document adopted by the TEAC. I finally got in a commitment to energy conservation in state buildings, plus support of continuing the Energy Development Fund. The public hearing on the policy document lasted from 9:30 - 3:00--with quite a number of people presenting statements. I was pleased.

The Department of Energy hearing also went quite well, though it was difficult to be on my feet all day. The room was filled with industry representatives with only a few "citizens", which was unfortunate. DOE did send top people down, however, (Ruth Clusen was one!) and made a good effort to pay ~~fmx~~ the expenses for citizen group representatives from each state. On the whole, the dialog was positive and helpful in my opinion. I received the following letter from the Regional Administrator:
(I am not going to give the honorarium to the League; I'm going to buy a filing cabinet with it instead before I go under.)

Dear ~~Mrs. Keever~~ Laura:

We deeply appreciate your serving as Moderator for the NEP-II Public Hearing in Dallas, Texas on December 6, 1978. Your skill and fairness as a presiding officer enabled persons with differing views to express their opinions within a framework that remained open and amicable. Your expertise in facilitating audience participation contributed to the overall success of the Public Hearing.

Enclosed is a Statement of Service as Moderator. Please sign it and return in the enclosed envelope. We will forward your check later. On behalf of the Department of Energy, I thank you.

Sincerely,

Curtis E. Carlson

~~Mr.~~ Dan Rambo
Regional Representative

Enclosure

OFFICE NOTE: copies of statement will be available at bd. mtg. It's raining and the Xerox shop is three blocks away.

January 8, 1979

Pre-Board Report
Ethel Sturgis

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Or is it??? When you look below, you will see that the projections for the balance of this League year are NOT encouraging....We'll have to tighten our belts somehow...

LWV-T Guesstimates

Anticipated Income		Anticipated Expenses	
Local League Support	12,633	State Office	8,052
SU & MAL dues (40 more)	800	Board & Administration	6,026
Interest	160	National Council	900
Leg. Newsletter(50 more)	350	Public Relations	4,688
Prog. Action Pubs	265	Organization	4,023
Informals	100	Program	2,978
State Fund Raising (AFL/CIO)	700	Legislative Office	3,666
Bureau of National Affairs	300	LL Sharing	465
TEF Reimbursement	12,518		$30,798
	$27,826		

Net Worth 12/31/78	19,981
Anticipated income	27,826
Anticipated expenses	- 30,798
Recommended reserve	- 15,000
	$ 2,009 uncommitted balance

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LWV-TEF Guesstimates --General Operating Account

Anticipated Income		Anticipated Expenses	
Unrestricted contributions (Tx Eastern, Hershey, Cooper, Kempner + 1)	2,000	Administration	6,702
Interest	1,330	Public Service Ann.	64
Administration Fees	300	Name of the Game	592
Voters Guide sales	60	CI/VS General expenses	180
Ground Water F&I & Ldrs Gd.	46	Ground water F&I	300 ??
P.S.S. '79 (55 more sales)	825	League News Service	315
How the Legislature Works	1,500	P.S.S. '79	840
	$6,061	Urban Crisis Proj	253
		Open Mtgs brochure	225
		Monitoring, unrestr.	132
		Research, general	365
		Research,water	164
		Workshop Attendance general	185
		Development	763
		How the Legisl. Works	1,705
			$12,785

Gen'l Oper Balance	4,172
Anticipated income	6,061
Anticipated expenses	- 12,785
OVERcommitted	- $ 2,552

This extreme change from the November TEF guesstimate is because we increased significantly LWV-T office expenses which are shared, anticipated contributions are down (but firm), Adult Corrections F&I will not be in this year's income...

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TO: LL Presidents, DPM, St. Ord., MAL

FROM: Betty Anderson, President

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President's Letter

Gathering in Austin for the January board meeting brought us back to Leaguedom after the holiday season. Compared to Lubbock, I usually consider Austin a warm spot -- but not this time. We shivered as we dashed from the state office to the Capitol to see the legislators sworn in, and then to our board meeting.

Planning for Convention and the legislative session occupied most of our agenda time. In the four-month period remaining in this biennium, Legislative Day will be the last of February (the 28th); Convention will be the last of March (March 30-April 1); and the end of the session will be the last of May (May 28th). The pace of activities will heighten in the days ahead.

CONVENTION -- One of the serious matters the board considered was the proposed per-member payment (PMP) figure and the budget. The subject was fully debated before our final recommendation. We are proposing to convention delegates a PMP figure of $7.50 for each year of the next biennium. We had hoped to increase our membership by nearly 400, and an increase in PMP would not have been necessary. However, we did not reach our goal. Our membership report shows 3,635 for 1979 as compared with 3,842 for 1978. We are grateful to those Leagues who have been able to significantly increase their membership; we will recognize you at Convention.

A great deal of time was also spent on various other Convention matters. The bylaws and program recommendations are included in the mailings to presidents. Workbooks containing all the pertinent Convention material will be mailed in early March.

The Proposed Program recommends a continuation of the Administration of Justice study and a restudy of school finance. In addition, the board is recommending deleting several support positions under various items.

We are anticipating a fantastic Convention, and we urge you to be among those present. Speakers will be the LWVUS President, Ruth Hinerfeld; and Sarah Weddington.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- The session is proceeding with its deliberations, and by the 28th of February activities should be well underway. We are striving to adhere to our legislative priorities; we know you will be alert to action possibilities. Read the Legislative Newsletter for the latest information.

Remember, it is very important for local Leagues to contact either the appropriate state program chair or the LWV-T Legislative Office (512) 478-6932 when testimony before a legislative committee or state agency is contemplated.

And a reminder that if the Leg. Ofc. does not hear from you regarding who is to receive the second free copy of the Newsletter, the LL president will receive both copies.

The deadline for returning legislative interviews is January 31.

There are two issues (constitutional initiative and ERA) not on our priorities that we discussed at the board meeting, and I would like to share our thinking with you. The Sept. Board Report stated that we did not plan to actively engage in supporting constitutional initiative. In fact, conditions have changed so much since this position was reached, the state board is recommending deletion of the position. Since monies from corporations and unions can now support ballot issues, it is felt that initiative would be dominated by an intense, unelected minority using direct mail, TV commercials, and other techinques of mass persuasion. Clear, settled opinion about policy rarely sprouts spontaneously from the public. It is best given shape by representative institutions which are deliberative bodies.

The strategy of Texans for ERA, with which we concur, calls for a very low-key approach. The legislative leaders do not want to bring it up, and the legislators do not want to vote on ERA rescission. Keeping the turbulent waters as quiet as possible will be our goal. The Legislature has already decided the issue, and there are important issues concerning Texans that legislators must address rather than reopening the ERA case.

OTHER NEWS

. *The field service consultants will be at Convention for consultation.*

. *Membership awards will be presented at Convention.*

. *The latest LWV-Texas Publications Catalog is enclosed. LL Presidents, please pass your second copy (along with order blanks) to your Publications Chair who does the ordering for your League.*

. *Also included for LL Presidents & DPM are the LWV-T and TEF budget analyses as of 12/31/78. Note that they also list current PMP payments and LL TEF account balances. Please check these with your treasurer's records.*

. Remember the complaint we filed with the Department of Justice in 1975 after monitoring revenue-sharing funds? The case is finally settled, and seven state agencies have agreed to refrain from future discrimination and have approved the implementation of recruitment programs to attract more blacks, Hispanics, and females.

. Dallas will be one of the 15 Leagues monitoring local use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under a national LWVEF project.

. *The nuclear waste disposal documentary, funded through a LWVUS-EF grant, is on schedule. Pat Bruno and Pat Nickell of Lubbock have acquired ten hours of raw footage from their trips to Albuquerque, Los Alamos, Denver, and Austin. They also plan to do on-site filming of the Waste Isolation Pilot Project (WIPP) site near Carlsbad, N.M.*

. LWV-Texas members of national committees include Madeleine Appel, chair of the LWVUS budget committee; Jan Coggeshall, Urban Crisis committee; and Meg Titus, EQ committee.

. Meg presented the LWVUS statement on EPA's new source performance standards for coal-fired utility plants at EPA's public hearing November 29-30 in Washington, D.C. A letter was also sent early in January urging that the standards not be weakened in any areas of the U.S.; it supported (among other things) uniform controls, including "full scrubbing" on all new coal-burning power plants. If you wish to have the complete text of the letter for your files or to discuss it with local industries or your Chamber of Commerce, request a copy from the state office.

. *Diana Clark and Lucy Polter spent three days in December in Huntsville collecting material for the Adult Corrections publication.*

. *Jan Wilbur, Catherine Perrine, Laura Keever, Meg Titus, and I attended the Environmental Legislation Conference, directed by Bobette Higgins, in Austin in December. The report can be found in the November-December Enviro-Notes.*

. Bobette Higgins has a new address:

3701 Turtle Creek Blvd., #6A
Dallas, TX 75219
(214) 522-9650

. I will be in Austin January 29-30 for legislative forums of IMPACT (the interreligious legislative network), and TUCS (Texas United Community Services).

Carole Shlipak
Director, Development
[redacted]

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DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Contributions received in the past quarter include:

Fikes Foundation	$ 2,500	TEF	LL share:	$ 750	(Dallas)
Dresser Foundation	1,000	TEF	LL share:	$ 400	(Dallas)
LTV	100	T	LL share:	30	(Dallas)
Hershey Foundation	500	TEF	LL share:	0	(Foundation contributes separately to LL)
Gulf States Utilities	1,000	TEF	LL share:	400	(Beaumont)

By now you should have received the just-published 12 Steps to a Superbly Successful Finance Campaign. I hope you find it useful. So call or write me if you have any question about your own 1979 Finance Campaign.

Good luck!

DPMs (Mat Beard)
L Ofc
Bea Sutherland.

S.O.s to:
19 - Rita Albana
Sue McCormick Texas.
[redacted]

Diana Clark
Director, Administration of Justice
[redacted]

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ADULT CORRECTIONS STUDY - Diana Clark & Lucy Polter

In preparation for the Adult Corrections study there are some plans and activities that Leagues can begin to undertake. The following is a list of resources that can be helpful in making the subject interesting to local League members and the community.

I. Tour of Texas Department of Corrections (TDC) facilities--Local Leagues can make arrangements for tours of selected Huntsville facilities. Plans need to be made well in advance, at least 6 weeks to two months. Also, tour size must be between 10 and 30 people; about 20 people is the best number to aim for. For further information contact the Public Affairs Office, [redacted].

II. 16 MM Color Films available from TDC

A. Everybody Wins-26min.- Vocational education training, job training in TDC.
B. The Wildest Show on Earth-26 min.-Scenes from the TDC prison rodeo and how the procedes are used for education and recreation activities of inmates.
C. Thinking about Thinking-30 min.-College academic and vocational education opportunities for inmates at TDC.
D. Another Bus-15 min- Overview of TDC. Brief but good introduction.

The above films are available from the Public Affairs Office, [redacted]

E. 212912-one (1) hour-arrest and imprisonment of a veteran who became part of the drug culture
Available from the Community Education Programs, TDC, [redacted]

F. Tatoo My Soul, Make Straight My Mind-25 min.-Depicts how the Windham School District serves the TDC inmates.
Available from Windham School District, TDC, [redacted].

III. Speakers and/or Panelist--A parole officer, probation officer and/or a district judge would be good local resources for a general meeting or public forum and for a resource committee.

IV. Interview or panel questions--The following suggested questions could be a good starting point for developing knowledge about local opinion of adult corrections and rehabilitation.

A. Parole Officer
1. What is your current case load? Is it increasing, decreasing, or remaining the same?
2. What effect do you think "mandatory supervision" will have on your job and case load?

A. Parole Officer (cont)
   3. What services do you provide for parolees?
   4. What is your opinion of combining parole and probation services?
   5. In your opinion, what are the most important factors leading to the rehabilitation of your clients?
   6. What improvements would you like to see in the present correctional system?

B. District Judge
   1. Do you use "Shock Probation"? How effective do you think it is?
   2. Do you see a need for more community based corrections? If so, What arrangements would you recommend?
   3. Who should supervise community based corrections; the Parole Board, Texas Department of Corrections, Probation Dept. or other?
   4. In your opinion, what part of the correctional system is the most effective in rehabilitating felons?

C. Probation Officer
   1. How effective do you think probation is in adult correction and rehabilitation?
   2. What is you opinion of combining probation and parole services?

Notes:

-- Be sure to pass on this sheet to your Administration of Justice chair. The material can be used this spring or in the fall.

-- Reminder: The Facts and Issues on Adult Corrections delivery date is June 1979 and the consensus deadline is December 1979.

Jan Coggeshall
Director, Human Resources
10 Dansby Dr.
[redacted]

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HUMAN RESOURCES

1. I have received a notice from Texas United Community Services about their Legislative Forum on January 30 at the Villa Capri in Austin from 9:30 am to 4:20 pm. The principal speaker at the Forum Luncheon will be Helen Farabee, Chairperson of the Special Committee on Human Services Delivery Systems. Topics to be discussed include Sunset Laws, Welfare Issues, Juvenile Justice and the statewide committee on human needs. Registration is $12 for non-TUCS members and includes lunch and forum packet. For information write: TUCS, [redacted].

2. The League will provide a food stamp slide for PSA use on television stations across the state. It will have the League name on it and recorded words stating that "There is a new food stamp program in Texas. For information, call 1-800-xxxxxx or your local food stamp office." (or something very similar.) We are doing this because the state legislative "powers" have cut the outreach budget for the Dept. of Human Resources in the food stamp program and we believe it is important to let the citizens know the regulations have changed.

3. Urban Crisis material is enclosed with this mailing to LL presidents, including one copy of the slide show script and copies of the survey of cities in Texas.

4. One humorous but not so humorous comment by Mayor Koch of New York City who is recommending that his state increase AFDC payments. "How long can we go on at 1972 levels? We're not Scrooges." And Texas is still at 1969 levels????? The grant in New York is $258 for a family of four, with a separate payment of up to $218 for rent, reflecting 1972 living costs. Texas, of course, pays $140 a month for a family of four for everything!

Laura Keever
Director, Energy
[redacted]

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ENERGY

I hope each of you has someone designated to respond to energy legislative matters -- things are already popping!

The Senate Finance Committee, for example, has already heard the Texas Energy Advisory Council (TEAC) budget, which includes funding for the Energy Development Fund (EDF). With but a couple of hours' notice, I appeared before the Committee supporting the TEAC budget generally, but requesting that the EDF appropriation be raised to the full $5 million authorized in the enabling legislation.

Unfortunately, the nuclear conference which was scheduled for this month is being postponed until next fall. We will keep you advised.

For those of you who have not received a copy, I encourage you to write for Consumer Briefing Summary #7 entitled "Domestic Policy Review of Solar Energy." The address is:

Department of Energy
Office of Consumer Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20461

Additionally, you may wish to ask for Consumer Briefing Summary #8 on "Nuclear Waste Management."

The final Public Utility Commission staff recommendations concerning utility rate structures have been forwarded to the governor and legislature. Write for a copy:

Public Utility Commission of Texas
[redacted]

I have written a lengthy response to the Draft Report to the President on Nuclear Waste Management. If you wish to have a copy of my remarks, please write to the state office.

Next week is the first meeting of the Nuclear Advisory Committee to the Texas Energy Advisory Council, which has been given the charge of developing policy recommendations for the state by next September 1. I am very pleased to chair this new committee and will keep you advised of its progress.

Let me hear from you!

Beth Brown
Director, Field Service
[redacted]

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FIELD SERVICE

The state convention will be a time for sharing among local Leagues. Each League has already been encouraged to bring samples of local publications. Lubbock plans to have a film of its Voters Service extravaganza Band Wagon available for viewing. The San Antonio League produced two tapes that were shown by local television stations at election time. San Antonio feels its efforts were partly responsible for the record voter turnout in Bexar County and will make copies of its 30-second tape available.

Would your League like to advertise a special project, publication, membership activity, program or management tool? An issue of Swap Shop containing such information will be included in each League President's Packet. Please send me a brief advertisement (commercial message) describing what your League will have to share in San Antonio. All that I receive will be included in Swap Shop.

March 1 is the deadline to: [redacted]

Diana Tilley
Public Relations Vice President
[redacted]

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When You Go To Austin
At this writing, WYGTA is scheduled for distribution no later than the first week in February. We had a slightly longer wait for the House committees this time.

After the very favorable comments we received the last (and first) time we published WYGTA, we definitely should publicize it to the hilt. Radio PSAs and press releases certainly would be in order. We are printing twice as many copies (50,000) as we did last time, thanks to full funding by the Halliburton Company. We don't want to paper the state with them, but we do want to get them to those who will best use them, for example, schools, lobby groups, and media. Once again the Capitol Tour Guide desk will be distributing free copies. Order blanks are included in this mailing. See listing in the enclosed new Publications Catalog.

The Name of the Game (Register, Vote, He Heard in Texas)
This is in the works also, and should be available the first week in February. We'll be sending you a mock layout for a public officials insert at that time.

Public Service Announcement
This is a slide of the Capitol (thanks to the House Media Services) with an overlay,"Your Legislators Are There For You, Let Them Know You're Here." There is an optional voice-over script, too. These will be mailed February 2 to the ABC affiliates throughout the state (except in those areas where Leagues have requested that we send PSAs directly to them) and a number of other stations. You might encourage your ABC affiliate to show it. And let us know where& when it's shown.

Bulk Rate Permit
For those of you who are still having trouble obtaining the special non-profit bulk rate permit, contact: James Harding
Rates and Reclassification
Postal Service Headquarters
Washington, D.C.
[redacted]

Mr. Harding can and will verify all Leagues' eligibility.

Convention
Convention 79 is going to be particularly interesting for PR people (although everything we'll be learning can and should be applied to other portfolios). Be sure to round up your best publications, etc. and either send samples to the state office or bring your copies with you. If you're going to need special equipment such as a slide projector, let the state office know.

Madeleine Appel
VOTER Editor
[redacted]

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Robert Knowlton, News Director of TV's Channel 39 in Houston, will conduct a "How To Meet the Press" workshop at the LWV-T convention March 30-April 1 in San Antonio.

Admission: Free! I hope PR/Media chairs, presidents, and others called upon to meet the press for their Leagues will take advantage of Bob's expertise. He trains corporate executives to effectively meet the media in addition to his role as a television news director and interviewer. Having participated in one of his training sessions, I can testify to its effectiveness! I look forward to spending the evening with you.

Thanks to a favorable reception, especially by the state's smaller newspapers, the LWV-T ED Fund News Service is resuming its once-every-three weeks articles schedule. Topics to be covered between now and the end of March include: How to Lobby Legislators; Startling Statistics on Children in Texas; Women in Politics; Proposition 13 Fever; and an interview with Texas Prison System Director Estelle. What topics would YOU like to see the News Service cover?

Many thanks to those of you who sent your comments on and a record of the response to the News Service. Please keep monitoring and reporting its use to me. In addition, be on the lookout for stories carried by your local media mentioning LWV-T response to governmental activities in Austin over the next month. We are initiating an active media campaign to make the media and the public aware of League views on various governmental issues on which we have an interest/position.

Jan Coggeshall
Director, Human Resources
[redacted]

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Subject: A case study of a League and its impact on a community in an election or why your city can't live without the League of Women Voters!

Problem: Just 30 days before January 20, 1979, the City Council in the city of Galveston called an election to allow the citizens to vote yes or no on five complicated charter amendments. Since the local League had no position on the amendments, the challenge was to inform the public so they at least knew what they were voting on. This is how the Galveston board took action, which could not begin until after 10 days were lost over the Christmas holidays, leaving only 19 days before the election to do the following:

1. Three consecutive Friday mornings, on the League Insight public service radio program, opponents and proponents debated the issues with call-in questions, each program lasting an hour and a half. They had a huge listening audience.

2. The League sponsored an evening public forum for the community which was broadcast live and taped for Community Television. The League requested funds from the Texas Education Fund to purchase the colored tape used to record the TV and it was shown two times again on community television. The meeting was crowded.

3. The League took call-in questions on another radio show with call-in questions for a different station; publicity for the League for that Sunday!! The League printed a Voter Guide with the pros and cons of the amendments. It was also reprinted in the newspaper.

4. The League surveyed the community and developed ten questions which seemed to be on the public's mind. They asked both sides to answer them and they were run on the front page of the local paper as a "Charge-Countercharge" every day, using the League name and questions.

5. The League did PSAs about voting and did the usual election night reporting by League members for all the radio stations.

The result of all this was the League's name before the public every day prior to the election. This is how "visibility" helps strengthen a League. The Assistant Manager of the Chamber of Commerce stated on the air that the League had done an outstanding job on the election, and added, "I don't know what this city would have done without the League in this election."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Villa Capri Motor Hotel

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January 9-11, 1979

PRESENT: Albers, Anderson, Appel, Brown, Carpenter, Clark, Clem, Coggeshall, Cummins, Keever, Polter, Sturgis, Tilley, Wilbur, and Budget Chair Jeannette Vanderwater.

ABSENT: Hunter and Shlipak

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m., January 9.

1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Anderson announced that Shlipak was absent for several reasons including a house being flooded due to frozen water pipes, and that Hunter was ill and would not be coming. This is the first board meeting Hunter has missed in eight years. Coggeshall MOVED the following resolution expressing our regret:

> WHEREAS the BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS has traditionally been an instrument of service to the League community and to the State of Texas through the service of its members of the Board of Directors; and
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> WHEREAS one of the members of its Board of Directors has rendered exceptional and long service to the League at the local, state and national level; and
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> WHEREAS her dedicated service as a member of the Board of Directors has been evidenced by her perfect attendance at state board meetings during the past eight years;
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> NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, that: the members of the Board express to HELEN HUNTER their sincere appreciation for distinguished and meritorious service to the League and express to her that she was sorely missed at the January, 1979 state board meeting although it was felt she was there in spirit if not in body.
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> BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of Texas.
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> The above and foregoing Resolution of Commendation, having been passed by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of the LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, is presented to HELEN HUNTER.

The motion was SECONDED AND CARRIED. The resolution was later signed by President Anderson and sent to Helen Hunter.

Anderson asked for suggestions the state board wished to make to the national board. Responses included the following:

1. President's Report, Suggestions to national, cont'd

ACTION. Keever suggested there should be more Action Alerts, about ten per year, because there are so many action suggestions in Report from the Hill that LLs do not know just where to place priority. Clark suggested that could be done by simply better identifying action priorities in the R/H.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORTS. Sturgis urged that annual reports be based on a local or state League's own fiscal year.

DEVELOPMENT. Coggeshall and Clark suggested we affirm our support for use of a generous sharing formula and continuation of current clearance procedures.

PUBLICATIONS. Perrine and Clark felt the national publications have been excellent, but there have been so many that they may not be getting the attention they deserve. Coggeshall and Brown suggested the traditional cover letter sent with new publications is unnecessary.

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SECOND PLENARY SESSION
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5. CONVENTION

Rules. Cummins suggested we propose the same rules as the last convention with one exception. When Convention occurs during the legislative session, a procedure is needed for handling of action suggestions. Cummins proposed a rule to set up an Action Motions Committee similar to that used at the last LWVUS convention. Keever suggested there be a time set aside early in the agenda for suggestions from the floor to this committee. Written suggestions could also be given to this committee until a set deadline. There was general agreement to follow both these suggestions.

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5. Convention, cont'd

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Program Development. It was agreed that delegates would break into small interest groups for program development, then regroup to share ideas.

Agenda. Clark MOVED the proposed convention agenda be adopted. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

6. ORGANIZATION

Brown reported that the provisional LWV of Rockwall has circulated their survey among the provisional committee members (Anderson, Hunter, Brown, Sturgis, and Polter). With the correction of a minor budgetary imbalance, it is all in good order. Brown MOVED we recommend to the LWVUS board that the PLWV of Rockwall be given full local League status. SECONDED AND CARRIED. The survey and this recommendation will be hand carried tonight to the national board meeting by Appel. The Rockwall League will be informed of our action promptly.

7. PROJECT OUTREACH

Chairperson Keever reported that the committee (Appel, Brown, Coggeshall, Hunter, Keever, and Field Service Representative Sugihara) recommends that Project Outreach be specifically a field service project aimed at local Leagues close to failure such as the valley Leagues. They further recommend the LWV-Brownsville for a pilot study on what to do for a League in this situation. They urge appointment of a special committee to include both on and off board representatives as well as representatives from the LL involved. This committee would then develop specific plans for the project. Keever's committee suggested this special committee might initially meet and attend League meetings for a 2 or 3 day period in a community away from the valley which has a successful League that could serve as a role model. That would hopefully provide a rejuvenating experience for the troubled League. This could be followed by a series of several meetings in the area of the targeted League. These procedures would probably expend all the funds ($1000) we hope will be allocated for the project.

There followed some discussion on how to involve members of minority groups in League activity. Several board members expressed the feeling that such persons are more often oriented toward action rather than study and can best be involved in League action activities.

The Project Outreach Committee recommended that state board members more often develop off-board committees to involve local League members with us in our various activities. They also felt the budget allocation for membership should be increased so that an active membership committee could function.

Brown suggested this project could begin by consultation among the LL president, the FSR, and the state board at the February state board meeting and Legislative Day. The board agreed.

7. Project Outreach, cont'd

Appel MOVED acceptance of the Project Outreach Committee's report. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Anderson thanked the committee, and it was agreed that its work was finished, and it could disband.

8. VOTER

Appel announced the deadline has to be February 1, in order to have the VOTER out before Convention. It will be basically devoted to Convention with background information, workshop news, proposed program, proposed bylaw changes, proposed budget, and the nominating committee report. There will also be a president's column, information on legislative issues and the Capitol Corps, the statement of ownership, and possibly a story on D.C. representation and ERA status.

9. PROPOSED BUDGETS

Budget Chair Jeannette Vanderwater explained how the committee had functioned in four subcommittees which researched separate portions of the budget. She then reviewed two proposed budgets for LWV-T. Draft A totaled $48,859 based on a per-member-payment of $7.50. Draft B totaled $46,895 based on a PMP of $7.00. These drafts were based on an unofficial membership count of 3930, a figure she said may be too high. She pointed out that a drop of one percent in membership would mean lowering the budget by $300. Neither of the draft budgets allowed funds for expenses should there be a special legislative session. Vanderwater was also not sure the draft budgets allowed enough for the increase in postal rates. She asked that our recommendation for the 1980-81 PMP allow some cushion for inflation as well as possible fund-raising difficulties.

Vanderwater also presented two proposed budgets for LWV-TEF. Draft A was based on a PMP of $7.50 and draft B, a PMP of $7.00. Both totaled $62,910 with the few differences in specific items appearing mostly in the category of shared services with LWV-T.

There was a lengthy question and discussion period. Then Wilbur MOVED we recommend adoption of draft A ($7.50 PMP) for both LWV-T and LWV-TEF. SECONDED. Coggeshall MOVED TO AMEND the proposed TEF budget by changing category C. 2. Administrative fees, restricted grants, from $900 to $300 and, to compensate for the $600 loss in income, by reducing:

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SECONDED AND CARRIED. Polter MOVED to further AMEND the proposed TEF budget by changing categories A.3. Contributions, Restricted cash and Q. Publications and Projects, Restricted from $27,050 to $63,550. SECONDED AND CARRIED. It was understood that Vanderwater would make the necessary adjustments in the explanation column.

Brown MOVED TO AMEND the proposed LWV-T budget by reducing category S.2.a. Organization, Field Service, Representatives and Director from $2200 to $2100 and by adding a new category under S. Field Service to be titled New Leagues and allocated $100 as seed money. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

9. Proposed Budgets, cont'd

Keever suggested the proposed LWV-T budget be amended by changing category S.5. Organization, Membership from $100 to $250, category T.2. Program Action from $2600 to $2500, and category R.3. Public Relations, VOTER from $3280 to $3230. General consent was given.

There was concern about category E. Special Fund-Raising Event, $1150 in the proposed TEF budget. Several board members felt a clearer proposal for such an event should be prepared for presentation to the general membership. However there were no specific changes or suggestions, so the category and explanation remained as proposed.

Discussion followed on the differences between the two draft budgets which result from the differing PMP proposals. Anderson pointed out that we had alerted the membership that an increase of 329 members would be a virtual necessity for us to recommend the $7.00 PMP. The main difference between the two budget drafts is that draft A provides funds for a professionally led leadership workshop to be held in conjunction with Council in 1980. Draft A also would provide minor increases in mailings to LLPs and program action. It was pointed out that Draft B provides no leeway for changes due to inflation, catastrophes, or unexpected postal rate increases.

After lengthy debate Carpenter MOVED the previous question. The motion CARRIED. Wilbur's main motion to recommend the draft A budget proposals for LWV-T and TEF was then put to a vote and CARRIED 8 to 4.

Coggeshall MOVED we recommend a PMP of $7.50 for the 1980-81 fiscal year. SECONDED. There was brief discussion, and Appel said that other fund-raising events would be necessary. The motion CARRIED twelve to one.

It was agreed that if cuts in the proposed budget must be made at Convention, we recommend dropping the leadership workshop set for Council 1980.

Vanderwater then distributed draft copies of proposed budget information for the LLPs, DPM and Convention workbook, as well as the March VOTER. She invited our comments on it.

Recessed at 12:45 p.m.

Reconvened at 2:45 p.m.

10. MEDIA

Appel announced plans for increased quantity of press releases to record our reaction to legislative happenings. Albers and Tilley will make the decision on when these are appropriate. It is hoped this procedure will increase League's political impact and visibility.

Appel then left to go to national board meeting.

Recessed at 3:00 p.m.

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

Called to order by President Anderson at 8:45 a.m., January 11. Absent were Appel, Hunter, Shlipak, and Tilley, who was caring for an injured child at home.

11. ORGANIZATION

State Units. Hunter's report was given by Brown. The Deer Park unit is down to eleven members and may not be able to continue. The Pasadena SU is very active with 22 members. Montgomery County is doing fine. Hunter is checking with the Atascosa County SU.

Field Service. Brown started the new year by contacting each Field Service Representative for an assessment, and she gave a very complete and up-to-date report. She and Berthelson had visited the Orange Area League for board training. Several Leagues are worried about finding presidents for next year. The LWV-Richardson will vote January 25 on whether or not to become a unit of LWV-Dallas. FSR Nana Rylander has resigned from the board of LWV-Sherman and filed to run for city council. It appears that one of our greatest League needs is leadership development, particularly in view of the increasing numbers of employed board members.

12. PROGRAM--AIR

Anderson reported on a recent conversation with off-board air director Meg Titus who asked that we help EPA cosponsor an environmentalists workshop on implementation of the Clean Air Act amendments. The board agreed.

13. STATE PROGRAM MAKING

Wilbur reviewed the program making process which began last summer with opportunities for LLs to circularize other LLs about their suggestions. There were about a half dozen responses to that. State program report forms were received from 21 local Leagues and one provisional League. Wilbur showed charts listing the responses and reviewed the majority and minority reports.

Perrine MOVED we recommend dropping the AJ positions that call for a statewide system of court administration and enhancement of a sentence for second and subsequent offenses and for offenses committed with a deadly weapon, because these have been accomplished. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Perrine MOVED we recommend dropping our voting rights position on initiative and referendum which urges allowing ten percent of those who voted in the last gubernatorial election to call a constitutional amendment. SECONDED. Reasons for this include:

--Concern about possible effects which could result from the recent Supreme Court decision allowing corporations and labor unions to form political action committees for ballot issues,

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Perrine MOVED we recommend dropping the position calling for no declaration of party affiliation when registering. Five Leagues suggested that this be dropped, and three asked for restudy. At the 1977 convention there was only a one-vote difference on the question, indicating no true consensus among Leaguers. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

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13. State Program Making, cont'd

Cummins MOVED we recommend dropping the position calling for a Human Relations Commission for Texas. SECONDED. Two LLs had recommended this be dropped. Some localities have no form of human relations group either public or private. Dropping a position does not mean opposition to it. Local Leagues who wish to do so could list it on their local program. Motion CARRIED 9 to 4.

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The program core did not recommend a study on accountability in education, which had been urged by seven LLs but not by the two LLs who studied the topic in their communities. Perrine then MOVED the remainder of the program core report, which recommended no other study items for the next biennium, be accepted. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Wilbur pointed out that LL recommendations on state action priorities parallel our intentions.

14. LANDLORD-TENANT LEGISLATION

Wilbur reported that LWVUS has indicated it would be appropriate to take action in support of landlord-tenant legislation under the LWVUS human resources positions. LWV-Dallas has been advised they may act at the state level in their own name and they may seek support from other Texas LLs. (See November state board minutes, #13.) Discussion followed on whether or not LWV-Dallas could lobby for the state League on this issue. Wilbur MOVED that LWV-Dallas, if they wish, be permitted to act on tenant-landlord legislation for the LWV-T with plans yo be coordinated through the H.R. Director. Dallas would prepare a plan of action to be approved by the legislative and H.R. Chairs. SECONDED. Several board members felt this would counter our efforts to limit legislative priorities. Also, LWV-Dallas had not asked for this permission. Polter MOVED to TABLE the motion. The tabling motion CARRIED.

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Perrine reported on a call from LWV-Odessa regarding their action in support of water quality at the DOE hearing in Hobbs, New Mexico recently on the Waste Isolation Pilot Project. Odessa's concern is due to possible pollution to

15. Ground water, Odessa, cont'd

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18. NOVEMBER LEGISLATIVE BRIEFINGS

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1. President's Report, Suggestions to national, cont'd

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9. Proposed Budgets, cont'd

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After lengthy debate Carpenter MOVED the previous question. The motion CARRIED. Wilbur's main motion to recommend the draft A budget proposals for LWV-T and TEF was then put to a vote and CARRIED 8 to 4.

Coggeshall MOVED we recommend a PMP of $7.50 for the 1980-81 fiscal year. SECONDED. There was brief discussion, and Appel said that other fund-raising events would be necessary. The motion CARRIED twelve to one.

It was agreed that if cuts in the proposed budget must be made at Convention, we recommend dropping the leadership workshop set for Council 1980.

Vanderwater then distributed draft copies of proposed budget information for the LLPs, DPM and Convention workbook, as well as the March VOTER. She invited our comments on it.

Recessed at 12:45 p.m.

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10. MEDIA

Appel announced plans for increased quantity of press releases to record our reaction to legislative happenings. Albers and Tilley will make the decision on when these are appropriate. It is hoped this procedure will increase League's political impact and visibility.

Appel then left to go to national board meeting.

Recessed at 3:00 p.m.

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

Called to order by President Anderson at 8:45 a.m., January 11. Absent were Appel, Hunter, Shlipak, and Tilley, who was caring for an injured child at home.

11. ORGANIZATION

State Units. Hunter's report was given by Brown. The Deer Park unit is down to eleven members and may not be able to continue. The Pasadena SU is very active with 22 members. Montgomery County is doing fine. Hunter is checking with the Atascosa County SU.

Field Service. Brown started the new year by contacting each Field Service Representative for an assessment, and she gave a very complete and up-to-date report. She and Berthelson had visited the Orange Area League for board training. Several Leagues are worried about finding presidents for next year. The LWV-Richardson will vote January 25 on whether or not to become a unit of LWV-Dallas. FSR Nana Rylander has resigned from the board of LWV-Sherman and filed to run for city council. It appears that one of our greatest League needs is leadership development, particularly in view of the increasing numbers of employed board members.

12. PROGRAM--AIR

Anderson reported on a recent conversation with off-board air director Meg Titus who asked that we help EPA cosponsor an environmentalists workshop on implementation of the Clean Air Act amendments. The board agreed.

13. STATE PROGRAM MAKING

Wilbur reviewed the program making process which began last summer with opportunities for LLs to circularize other LLs about their suggestions. There were about a half dozen responses to that. State program report forms were received from 21 local Leagues and one provisional League. Wilbur showed charts listing the responses and reviewed the majority and minority reports.

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--Concern about possible effects which could result from the recent Supreme Court decision allowing corporations and labor unions to form political action committees for ballot issues,

--Concern that a constitutional amendment could be placed on the ballot by a relatively small number of persons not representing the views of a broad enough spectrum of citizens. (This is because the number of persons actually voting in elections has continually decreased in recent years.) Motion CARRIED.

Perrine MOVED we recommend dropping the position calling for no declaration of party affiliation when registering. Five Leagues suggested that this be dropped, and three asked for restudy. At the 1977 convention there was only a one-vote difference on the question, indicating no true consensus among Leaguers. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Cummins MOVED we recommend dropping the voting rights position calling for permanent registration for voter convenience because it has been accomplished. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

13. State Program Making, cont'd

Cummins MOVED we recommend dropping the position calling for a Human Relations Commission for Texas. SECONDED. Two LLs had recommended this be dropped. Some localities have no form of human relations group either public or private. Dropping a position does not mean opposition to it. Local Leagues who wish to do so could list it on their local program. Motion CARRIED 9 to 4.

Clark MOVED we recommend dropping the position under Executive which calls for a party's candidates for governor and lieutenant governor to run for office as a team. SECONDED. It was pointed out that many Texans feel the Lt. Governor should be directly accountable to the electorate because he has more powers than in many other states. Motion CARRIED 10 to 3.

Wilbur MOVED we recommend continued study of the adult correction system, parole and community-based alternatives to incarceration. SECONDED. This study is already in process, and interest is high. LL suggestions for study on women offenders, women in prison, and prison health care can be incorporated in the ongoing study. Motion CARRIED.

Wilbur MOVED we recommend restudy of the school finance system with emphasis on equitable distribution of funds and financial accountability. SECONDED. Eight LLs recommended further study, one wanted to drop all school finance positions, and another wanted to drop the ten percent limit on local enrichment. The motion CARRIED 8 to 2.

The program core did not recommend a study on accountability in education, which had been urged by seven LLs but not by the two LLs who studied the topic in their communities. Perrine then MOVED the remainder of the program core report, which recommended no other study items for the next biennium, be accepted. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Wilbur pointed out that LL recommendations on state action priorities parallel our intentions.

14. LANDLORD-TENANT LEGISLATION

Wilbur reported that LWVUS has indicated it would be appropriate to take action in support of landlord-tenant legislation under the LWVUS human resources positions. LWV-Dallas has been advised they may act at the state level in their own name and they may seek support from other Texas LLs. (See November state board minutes, #13.) Discussion followed on whether or not LWV-Dallas could lobby for the state League on this issue. Wilbur MOVED that LWV-Dallas, if they wish, be permitted to act on tenant-landlord legislation for the LWV-T with plans yo be coordinated through the H.R. Director. Dallas would prepare a plan of action to be approved by the legislative and H.R. Chairs. SECONDED. Several board members felt this would counter our efforts to limit legislative priorities. Also, LWV-Dallas had not asked for this permission. Polter MOVED to TABLE the motion. The tabling motion CARRIED.

15. GROUND WATER--ODESSA

Perrine reported on a call from LWV-Odessa regarding their action in support of water quality at the DOE hearing in Hobbs, New Mexico recently on the Waste Isolation Pilot Project. Odessa's concern is due to possible pollution to

15. Ground water, Odessa, cont'd

ground water near the Texas state line, but not far from the proposed nuclear waste disposal site in New Mexico. Several West Texas municipalities, including Odessa, hold ground water rights in this area.

16. BYLAWS

Keever MOVED reconsideration of our action on Article V, Section 6. (See #4 Bylaws.) SECONDED AND CARRIED. Keever MOVED to AMEND that motion by substituting that we recommend insertion of a new second sentence in Article V, Section 6 to read, If the president fails to call such a meeting, a majority of the current board may call a special meeting. SECONDED AND FAILED 5 to 6.

17. CONVENTION AGENDA

Cummins distributed copies of the proposed convention agenda. It was agreed that adjustments would be made to start the Sunday meeting earlier and add a time for general direction to the board.

18. NOVEMBER LEGISLATIVE BRIEFINGS

A few less than half the local Leagues were represented at the legislative briefings. The briefings seemed to be well received. Cummins recommended that for future briefings the information packets be sent out prior to the meetings, the purpose of the briefings be clarified, and that an evaluation sheet be included.

19. PROJECT OUTREACH

It was agreed that Brown, Hunter, and FSR Sugihara will confer and then make recommendations at the next board meeting about such questions as when and where to start Project Outreach.

20. CALENDAR

Jan. 22	Postboard deadline
Jan. 26	Mailing to LLPs
Feb. 1	VOTER deadline
Feb. 13	Preboard and Convention workbook deadline
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Adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Anderson announced that Shlipak was absent for several reasons including a house being flooded due to frozen water pipes, and that Hunter was ill and would not be coming. This is the first board meeting Hunter has missed in eight years. Coggeshall MOVED the following resolution expressing our regret:

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The motion was SECONDED AND CARRIED. The resolution was later signed by President Anderson and sent to Helen Hunter.

Anderson asked for suggestions the state board wished to make to the national board. Responses included the following:

1. President's Report, Suggestions to national, cont'd

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TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORTS. Sturgis urged that annual reports be based on a local or state League's own fiscal year.

DEVELOPMENT. Coggeshall and Clark suggested we affirm our support for use of a generous sharing formula and continuation of current clearance procedures.

PUBLICATIONS. Perrine and Clark felt the national publications have been excellent, but there have been so many that they may not be getting the attention they deserve. Coggeshall and Brown suggested the traditional cover letter sent with new publications is unnecessary.

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Page 8, #14 Calendar, third item, deadline for bylaw changes, change date to Dec. 30.

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3. Treasurer's Report, cont'd

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9. PROPOSED BUDGETS

Budget Chair Jeannette Vanderwater explained how the committee had functioned in four subcommittees which researched separate portions of the budget. She then reviewed two proposed budgets for LWV-T. Draft A totaled $48,859 based on a per-member-payment of $7.50. Draft B totaled $46,895 based on a PMP of $7.00. These drafts were based on an unofficial membership count of 3930, a figure she said may be too high. She pointed out that a drop of one percent in membership would mean lowering the budget by $300. Neither of the draft budgets allowed funds for expenses should there be a special legislative session. Vanderwater was also not sure the draft budgets allowed enough for the increase in postal rates. She asked that our recommendation for the 1980-81 PMP allow some cushion for inflation as well as possible fund-raising difficulties.

Vanderwater also presented two proposed budgets for LWV-TEF. Draft A was based on a PMP of $7.50 and draft B, a PMP of $7.00. Both totaled $62,910 with the few differences in specific items appearing mostly in the category of shared services with LWV-T.

There was a lengthy question and discussion period. Then Wilbur MOVED we recommend adoption of draft A ($7.50 PMP) for both LWV-T and LWV-TEF. SECONDED. Coggeshall MOVED TO AMEND the proposed TEF budget by changing category C. 2. Administrative fees, restricted grants, from $900 to $300 and, to compensate for the $600 loss in income, by reducing:

O.1.b. Public Relations, VS/CI, Communications from $300 to $200,
O.1.e. Public Relations, VS/CI, Precinct participation from $300 to $100,
O.2.a. Public Relations, Development, External Contributions from $1200 to $1000, and
P.2.c. Program, Publications, Promotion from $200 to $100.

SECONDED AND CARRIED. Polter MOVED to further AMEND the proposed TEF budget by changing categories A.3. Contributions, Restricted cash and Q. Publications and Projects, Restricted from $27,050 to $63,550. SECONDED AND CARRIED. It was understood that Vanderwater would make the necessary adjustments in the explanation column.

Brown MOVED TO AMEND the proposed LWV-T budget by reducing category S.2.a. Organization, Field Service, Representatives and Director from $2200 to $2100 and by adding a new category under S. Field Service to be titled New Leagues and allocated $100 as seed money. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

9. Proposed Budgets, cont'd

Keever suggested the proposed LWV-T budget be amended by changing category S.5. Organization, Membership from $100 to $250, category T.2. Program Action from $2600 to $2500, and category R.3. Public Relations, VOTER from $3280 to $3230. General consent was given.

There was concern about category E. Special Fund-Raising Event, $1150 in the proposed TEF budget. Several board members felt a clearer proposal for such an event should be prepared for presentation to the general membership. However there were no specific changes or suggestions, so the category and explanation remained as proposed.

Discussion followed on the differences between the two draft budgets which result from the differing PMP proposals. Anderson pointed out that we had alerted the membership that an increase of 329 members would be a virtual necessity for us to recommend the $7.00 PMP. The main difference between the two budget drafts is that draft A provides funds for a professionally led leadership workshop to be held in conjunction with Council in 1980. Draft A also would provide minor increases in mailings to LLPs and program action. It was pointed out that Draft B provides no leeway for changes due to inflation, catastrophes, or unexpected postal rate increases.

After lengthy debate Carpenter MOVED the previous question. The motion CARRIED. Wilbur's main motion to recommend the draft A budget proposals for LWV-T and TEF was then put to a vote and CARRIED 8 to 4.

Coggeshall MOVED we recommend a PMP of $7.50 for the 1980-81 fiscal year. SECONDED. There was brief discussion, and Appel said that other fund-raising events would be necessary. The motion CARRIED twelve to one.

It was agreed that if cuts in the proposed budget must be made at Convention, we recommend dropping the leadership workshop set for Council 1980.

Vanderwater then distributed draft copies of proposed budget information for the LLPs, DPM and Convention workbook, as well as the March VOTER. She invited our comments on it.

Recessed at 12:45 p.m.

Reconvened at 2:45 p.m.

10. MEDIA

Appel announced plans for increased quantity of press releases to record our reaction to legislative happenings. Albers and Tilley will make the decision on when these are appropriate. It is hoped this procedure will increase League's political impact and visibility.

Appel then left to go to national board meeting.

Recessed at 3:00 p.m.

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

Called to order by President Anderson at 8:45 a.m., January 11. Absent were Appel, Hunter, Shlipak, and Tilley, who was caring for an injured child at home.

11. ORGANIZATION

State Units. Hunter's report was given by Brown. The Deer Park unit is down to eleven members and may not be able to continue. The Pasadena SU is very active with 22 members. Montgomery County is doing fine. Hunter is checking with the Atascosa County SU.

Field Service. Brown started the new year by contacting each Field Service Representative for an assessment, and she gave a very complete and up-to-date report. She and Berthelson had visited the Orange Area League for board training. Several Leagues are worried about finding presidents for next year. The LWV-Richardson will vote January 25 on whether or not to become a unit of LWV-Dallas. FSR Nana Rylander has resigned from the board of LWV-Sherman and filed to run for city council. It appears that one of our greatest League needs is leadership development, particularly in view of the increasing numbers of employed board members.

12. PROGRAM--AIR

Anderson reported on a recent conversation with off-board air director Meg Titus who asked that we help EPA cosponsor an environmentalists workshop on implementation of the Clean Air Act amendments. The board agreed.

13. STATE PROGRAM MAKING

Wilbur reviewed the program making process which began last summer with opportunities for LLs to circularize other LLs about their suggestions. There were about a half dozen responses to that. State program report forms were received from 21 local Leagues and one provisional League. Wilbur showed charts listing the responses and reviewed the majority and minority reports.

Perrine MOVED we recommend dropping the AJ positions that call for a statewide system of court administration and enhancement of a sentence for second and subsequent offenses and for offenses committed with a deadly weapon, because these have been accomplished. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Perrine MOVED we recommend dropping our voting rights position on initiative and referendum which urges allowing ten percent of those who voted in the last gubernatorial election to call a constitutional amendment. SECONDED. Reasons for this include:

--Concern about possible effects which could result from the recent Supreme Court decision allowing corporations and labor unions to form political action committees for ballot issues,

--Concern that a constitutional amendment could be placed on the ballot by a relatively small number of persons not representing the views of a broad enough spectrum of citizens. (This is because the number of persons actually voting in elections has continually decreased in recent years.) Motion CARRIED.

Perrine MOVED we recommend dropping the position calling for no declaration of party affiliation when registering. Five Leagues suggested that this be dropped, and three asked for restudy. At the 1977 convention there was only a one-vote difference on the question, indicating no true consensus among Leaguers. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Cummins MOVED we recommend dropping the voting rights position calling for permanent registration for voter convenience because it has been accomplished. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

13. State Program Making, cont'd

Cummins MOVED we recommend dropping the position calling for a Human Relations Commission for Texas. SECONDED. Two LLs had recommended this be dropped. Some localities have no form of human relations group either public or private. Dropping a position does not mean opposition to it. Local Leagues who wish to do so could list it on their local program. Motion CARRIED 9 to 4.

Clark MOVED we recommend dropping the position under Executive which calls for a party's candidates for governor and lieutenant governor to run for office as a team. SECONDED. It was pointed out that many Texans feel the Lt. Governor should be directly accountable to the electorate because he has more powers than in many other states. Motion CARRIED 10 to 3.

Wilbur MOVED we recommend continued study of the adult correction system, parole and community-based alternatives to incarceration. SECONDED. This study is already in process, and interest is high. LL suggestions for study on women offenders, women in prison, and prison health care can be incorporated in the ongoing study. Motion CARRIED.

Wilbur MOVED we recommend restudy of the school finance system with emphasis on equitable distribution of funds and financial accountability. SECONDED. Eight LLs recommended further study, one wanted to drop all school finance positions, and another wanted to drop the ten percent limit on local enrichment. The motion CARRIED 8 to 2.

The program core did not recommend a study on accountability in education, which had been urged by seven LLs but not by the two LLs who studied the topic in their communities. Perrine then MOVED the remainder of the program core report, which recommended no other study items for the next biennium, be accepted. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Wilbur pointed out that LL recommendations on state action priorities parallel our intentions.

14. LANDLORD-TENANT LEGISLATION

Wilbur reported that LWVUS has indicated it would be appropriate to take action in support of landlord-tenant legislation under the LWVUS human resources positions. LWV-Dallas has been advised they may act at the state level in their own name and they may seek support from other Texas LLs. (See November state board minutes, #13.) Discussion followed on whether or not LWV-Dallas could lobby for the state League on this issue. Wilbur MOVED that LWV-Dallas, if they wish, be permitted to act on tenant-landlord legislation for the LWV-T with plans yo be coordinated through the H.R. Director. Dallas would prepare a plan of action to be approved by the legislative and H.R. Chairs. SECONDED. Several board members felt this would counter our efforts to limit legislative priorities. Also, LWV-Dallas had not asked for this permission. Polter MOVED to TABLE the motion. The tabling motion CARRIED.

15. GROUND WATER--ODESSA

Perrine reported on a call from LWV-Odessa regarding their action in support of water quality at the DOE hearing in Hobbs, New Mexico recently on the Waste Isolation Pilot Project. Odessa's concern is due to possible pollution to

15. Ground water, Odessa, cont'd

ground water near the Texas state line, but not far from the proposed nuclear waste disposal site in New Mexico. Several West Texas municipalities, including Odessa, hold ground water rights in this area.

16. BYLAWS

Keever MOVED reconsideration of our action on Article V, Section 6. (See #4 Bylaws.) SECONDED AND CARRIED. Keever MOVED to AMEND that motion by substituting that we recommend insertion of a new second sentence in Article V, Section 6 to read, If the president fails to call such a meeting, a majority of the current board may call a special meeting. SECONDED AND FAILED 5 to 6.

17. CONVENTION AGENDA

Cummins distributed copies of the proposed convention agenda. It was agreed that adjustments would be made to start the Sunday meeting earlier and add a time for general direction to the board.

18. NOVEMBER LEGISLATIVE BRIEFINGS

A few less than half the local Leagues were represented at the legislative briefings. The briefings seemed to be well received. Cummins recommended that for future briefings the information packets be sent out prior to the meetings, the purpose of the briefings be clarified, and that an evaluation sheet be included.

19. PROJECT OUTREACH

It was agreed that Brown, Hunter, and FSR Sugihara will confer and then make recommendations at the next board meeting about such questions as when and where to start Project Outreach.

20. CALENDAR

Jan. 22	Postboard deadline
Jan. 26	Mailing to LLPs
Feb. 1	VOTER deadline
Feb. 13	Preboard and Convention workbook deadline
Feb. 27	SB meeting at Rather House
Feb. 28	Legislative Day

Adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING REGRET OF HELEN HUNTER'S ABSENCE
AT THE JANUARY 1979 STATE BOARD MEETING

WHEREAS the BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS has traditionally been an instrument of service to the League community and to the State of Texas through the service of its members of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS one the members of its Board of Directors has rendered exceptional and long service to the League at the local, state, and national level; and

WHEREAS her dedicated service as a member of the Board of Directors has been evidenced by her perfectt attendance at state board meetings during the past eight years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, that: the members of the Board express to HELEN HUNTER their sincere appreciation for distinguished and meritorious service to the League and express to her that she was sorely missed at the January 1979 state board meeting although it was felt she was there in spirit if not in body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

The above and foregoing Resolution of Commendation, having been passed by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of the LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, is presented to HELEN HUNTER.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

BETTY ANDERSON,
PRESIDENT

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Pre-Board Report

STATE BOARD MEETING
February 27, 1979
Rather House
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ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

A. No. Bdrm., Bath
Anderson
Hunter

B. No. Bdrm.
Brown
Wilbur

C. Old Office
Polter
Sturgis
Carpenter

D. East Rm. (4 beds)
Perrine
Cummins
Clark

Fellows' Suite
(ask at Rather House)
Appel
Shlipak

E. West Rm.
Clem
Keever

TUESDAY

Lunch will be provided at noon -- please be prompt.
We begin at 1:00 P.M.
Dinner on the 27th, and breakfast on the 28th will be served by Donna et al.
A continental breakfast on the 29th will probably be available.

WEDNESDAY

We have reservations for the following for Wednesday night:

Anderson, Brown, Cummins, Clark, Carpenter, Clem,
Hunter, Keever, Perrine, Polter, Sturgis, Wilbur.

A continental breakfast on the 29th will probably be available.

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Misc. news: Lucinda Headrick is working as an aide to M.C. Martin Frost (24th Dist.). She'll be glad to "be of help."
[redacted]

February, 1979
Preboard Report

AGENDA

Tuesday, Feb. 27

1:00 to 5:00

First Plenary Session

President's report
Minutes
Treasurer's report

1979-80 Budget Cut Recommendations

Correspondence
- National Conv., May 15-19, 1982; Houston
- Kudos to Carole for "12 Successful Steps"

Recommendations to Nat. Nominating Committee
Report from EQ committee meeting, Dallas, Feb. 16--Wilbur
Legislation

PR and VOTER

7:00 to 9:00

Second Plenary Session

Texas Education Fund

Chair's Report
Minutes
Treasurer's Report
Report of TCH meeting in Dallas Feb. 15--Anderson
Development Report

Local

Irving's request--results of polling board
Irving
Dallas
San Antonio
Tarrant Co.
Report of local projects from Project Supervisors

State

- National Trade Conference
- Proposed State Urban Policy Project--possible pass-through from national
- How the Legislature Works--Albers
- Nuclear Waste Documentary--Anderson
- When You Go to Austin--Tilley

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- Organization
  Membership Analysis
  Rockwall recognition
- Finalize
  Convention plans

TO: State Board
FROM: Betty Anderson

LWV-Texas
Preboard Report
February, 1979

Jan Coggeshall has filed for City Council. She will not be with us on Tuesday; she will try to come for Legislative Day.

In preparation for this meeting:

- If you have a program report for the national Annual Report please bring it with you---deadline March 1.
- Please read Jeannette V.'s memo carefully and be ready to suggest budget cuts.

On Thursday Feb. 15, Carole, Diana C., and I will meet with Bob O'Connor of the Texas Comm. for the Humanities staff. We will report the results of that conversation.

On Friday, Feb. 16, Catherine, Jan W., Laura, Bobette, Meg, and I are to gather in Dallas for an EQ Committee. Jan will be reporting on that meeting.

Program · Trade Education Outreach Project

April 5-7, 1979 is the Trade conference in Wingspread, Wisconsin. Pearl Wincorn has been recruited to be our conference participant project director. Following the April conference, Leagues will have approximately two months to interview constituency opinion leaders and submit project proposals to the national IR Committee. There will be $500 seed money as a pass-through grant and each state League will be responsible for raising additional funds during the summer; project should get underway in the fall. Final reports to the national office will be due in mid-March 1980.

Goals of the Project: 1) to identify gaps in information/understanding of trade issues among the public and run a project designed to fill those gaps; 2) to begin to build a climate for ongoing discussion and interaction, and 3) to develop techniques for an educational exchange of conflicting viewpoints.

To: State Board
From: Laura Keever

LWV-Texas
Preboard
Feb., 1979

While in some respects the Session has required prompt action in energy already, in others it is moving very slowly. I did make a statement to the Senate Finance Committee supporting an increase in the Energy Development Fund to $5 million, and I will attend the House Energy Appropriative Matters Subcommittee today (which is discussing the same thing.) Dan Kubiak (whose bill this was) serves on the House Appropriations Committee, however, and my judgement is that if there is any increase, it will come in conference between the House and Senate committees.

We are opposing the 55 MPH speed limit removal (by Head), but as Clements has said, he will veto it, so we are not putting much energy there.

The other bills I hope to support (mainly solar) have yet to be introduced--Keese will be carrying one (in the House), Vale willbe carrying the Senate bill.

I hope to discuss the nuclear reprocessing bill (yet to be introduced) and the gasahol bill with the EQ core on Friday.

My nuclear committee has had its first organizational meeting. Nearly everyone (25) came--the room was filled! We have divided into subcommittees (transportation; high level waste and reprocessing; mining and milling and low level wastes; and general--including nuclear plant types). I am meeting with all the subcommittee chairs this week--plus having made a special trip to Austin to "redirect the thinking" of three of the committee "troublemakers" (CONFIDENTIAL please)--all of whom were professors at UT. Their attitudes ranged from being thoughtless to intellectual arrogance. I think, after much stroking, they will all now be supportive. (People are the same the world over.)

I have just returned from an emergency meeting of TEAC regarding gasoline rationing and other implications of the oil shortage due to the Iranian cutback. Friends, things could be serious, not only from supply standpoint but also from an international security standpoint. I hate to raise red flags (a pun?) but the energy problems of this country could become perilous.

A recent amusing remark at a Mexico conference: "The United States has just discovered oil in Mexico--what it hasn't discovered is that it doesn't own the leases, the mineral rights or the royalties."

Mexico will <u>not</u> save us; but we sure need to stop playing games with them (L.K. personal opinion).

LWV-Texas Ed. Fund
February, 1979
Preboard Report

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RE: TEF Projects

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February 13, 1979

To the members of the State Board:

When the final membership figures came into the State Office, we found that the membership across the state of Texas had dropped by 5%. This meant that $1,352 had to be taken out of the recommended LWV-T budget. This was done in conference with Diana Clark as follows: No leadership workshop, $414 out of O3b and $896 out of S3b; reduction of funds for board training, $42 out of O3a. The budget as corrected was sent to State Board members and Local League Presidents about February 1. It was not sent on DPM.

Final, final membership figures have now come in and another $200 needs to be taken out of the budget. Again in conference with Diana Clark, a decision was made to include the budget as is in the Convention Workbook. The State Board will have to decide where to cut $200 and such changes will be announced to the Convention.

More bad news!!! It is entirely possible that the Convention will not go along with the increased PMP. If the Convention decides on a PMP of $7.25, we will need to take an additional $875 out of the LWV-T budget. If the Convention decides on a PMP of $7 we need to take another $865, or a grand total of $1,940, out of the LWV-T budget. The State Board needs to make some difficult decisions at this February meeting. First, you need to decide where to cut $200, that has to be done. Second, you need to decide where to cut another $1,740 if it should become necessary. I will need priorities on the second decision in the event the Convention chooses $7.25.

I have listed the areas where changes can be made without interferring with the "in-out"s. None of these suggestions are very palatable.

(1) Changes in Section N. Items N7 and N8 are about the only items which can be changed unless the board wants to move the State Office to another location. The budget committee did not research this possibility. Denying the raise to Joanne would save $300 in N7 and $18 in N8. Cutting out the additional 100 hours would save $290 in N7 and $39 in N8.

(2) Changes in Section O. The budget committee recommended a cut of $100 in items O1b and O1c (The more detailed budget sent to you in December 1978 has this breakdown.). The president's trips to the State Office cost $56 each. Maybe the number could be cut. A board member costs about $370 for all board meetings and another $65 for mailings. Maybe the number could be cut.

(3) Changes in Section P. The only possibility is P2.

(4) Changes in Section Q. This is all balanced with other items and there are no possibilities here.

(5) Changes in Section R. All of R5 is balanced with income. Cutting of one issue of the Voter would save $625. Updating the mailing list for the Voter only once during the year would save $360. Items R1, R2, and R4 could be changed.

(6) Changes in Section S. Items S9 and S10 are balanced with other items so cannot be changed. If you wish to reduce the $7 per member for publications, each $1 of reduction will save $81. The budget committee recommended a cut of $200 in item S11. Other items in this section can be changed.

(7) Changes in Section T. The budget committee recommended a cut of $200 in T2. Any of these items can be changed.

(8) Changes in Sections U through Y. Not much hope!

(9) Other things!! We may still be saved by item N6, rent. That figure is still only a guess. Don't put much hope on this one. The membership for M-A-L and SU was 50 less than projected. Changes will have to be made in Sections A2a, A3, Q, S9, and S10. I will take care of that bookkeeping.

There are a few other possibilities.

(1) We plan to make $100 on the publication, "We Support". This profit could be increased. See items C4 and R5e.

(2) We expect a net of $3,760 in outside contributions. We also expect to get a net of $10,465 in TEF contributions. Could this total of $14,225 in outside contributions be raised? I doubt it. Carole needs to address this.

(3) Do not try to solve this problem by putting into the income side a sizeable amount for non-cash contributions by members, UNLESS you are willing to specify certain already budgeted expenses as non-cash as has been done with items G and W.

I will be available by phone at home or at the Houston league office most of the time during the board meeting. I am leaving for California on Thursday, March 1.

When you are through making these agonizing decisions, please give some thought as to ways in which the $7.50 PMP can be sold to the Convention so that the drastic cuts will not be necessary.

Relay your suggestions to Madeleine.

Jeanette Vanderwater,
Budget Chair.

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Pending Projects--State, contd

How the Legislature Works. Director: Albers. No supervisor. Publication expected for Legislative Day Feb. 28.

Nuclear Waste Documentary. Director: Pat Bruno, Lubbock. Supervisor: Betty Anderson. Much, if not all, filming completed. Work continues.

When You Go To Austin. Director: Tilley. No supervisor. Approved at Jan. Board meeting. Expected completion was Jan. 31. Reports pending.

New Project Requests

Irving — $300 from LL funds on deposit to publish 2,000 brochures on mental health services for the young. Distribution to city and school officials and personnel, law enforcement officials, libraries, and some social service agencies as well as through newcomers packet. Project Director: Barbara Maddy. Supervisor: Carole Shlipak

Dallas — $1,100.30 from LL funds to publish 20,000 Voters Guides for April City Council & School Board election.
To mail 1200, distribute the rest.

Printing:	$1,050.30
Overhead:	50.00
	$1,100.30

Project Director: Julie Lowenberg
Project Supervisor:

Tarrant Co. — $400 (approx.) from LL funds to publish five local Voters Guides for local elections in Ft. Worth & surrounding towns.
They will take $625 from their General Funds to make up deficit:

Printing to cost	$900
postage & exp.	125
Est. total	$1025.

San Antonio — $465.15 from LL funds for Voters Guides in newspaper before April City Council elections.

Printing & stationery	$ 18.00
Overhead	25.00
Volunteers' expenses	68.00
Postage	325.00
Admin. fee	22.15
Total	$465.15

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

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MINUTES

February 27, 1979

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

MINUTES

Rather House
606 Rathervue
Austin, TX 78705

February 27, 1979

PRESENT: Anderson, Appel, Brown, Carpenter, Clark, Clem, Cummins, Hunter, Keever, Polter, Shlipak, Sturgis, Tilley and Wilbur.

ABSENT: Albers and Coggeshall

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. She explained that Albers was observing a legislative committee meeting and Coggeshall was at home organizing her campaign for city council.

1. MINUTES. The minutes were approved as circulated.

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12. Legislative Office Concerns, cont'd

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Texans for ERA	
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APA monitoring chair -- Carol Mark of Waco	
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   Others -- see Lois's preboard

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memorandum

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RE: POSSIBLE CHANGES IN SHARING FORMULA

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      change to : "plus a percentage of the ..."

      reason: specifics shouldn't be in this introduction, but rather in the numbered guidelines.

   b)

Alternative # 1 (if PMP is "enough")	Alternative # 2 (if PMP is "short")
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(Note -- that's a quote. Don't ask me what that means. Joann)

Richardson: League must reorganize to utilize members that are becoming busier.
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League needs to set reasonable goals and change expectations.
Make forms easy as possible to fill out (directed at national)
National publications not well utilized, tho they are excellent.
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Want national to tell them what is absolutely necessary to accomplish.
In League is vague -- want specifics.

For state: All of the above, plus -- don't have to send LL VOTERs to all Leagues. Summarize activities, then presidents can correspond if they so desire.
Close-by Leagues may wish to share board notes -- most important to communicate with one's neighbors.
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more

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LWV-Texas
March 29, 1979
Pre-board

LWV-Texas Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

March 29, 1979
St. Anthony Hotel , Room 350
San Antonio, Tx.

1:00 P.M. LWV-T Plenary Session

Minutes of Feb. 27th board meeting	Carpenter
Treasurer's Report	Sturgis
President's Report	Anderson
Texans for ERA	
Lucy nominated for TDC	
Beaumont and Dallas bidding for convention '81	
Suggest task force to consider incorporation, insurance, liability (Baytown & Mont. Co. concerns), then perhaps memo to LLs	
APA monitoring chair -- Carol Mark of Waco	
Legislative Report	Albers
Other program concerns	Wilbur
PR	Tilley
Organization	Hunter

3:00 P.M. Review timed convention agenda
Charlotte Travis will be with us.

4:00 P.M. LWV-TEF Board of Trustees Plenary Session

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Project Review	

1. State -- Nuclear documentary (Energy Education grant) is $5500 rather than $4000
   Others -- see Lois's preboard

2. Local -- see Lois's preboard

NOTE: The San Antonio League will provide dinner for the board Thursday evening across the street from the hotel at the Travis Park Methodist Church. Dinner will be at 6:30.

memorandum

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March 19, 1979

TO: STATE BOARD
FROM: CAROLE S.
RE: POSSIBLE CHANGES IN SHARING FORMULA

1. Please get out your Policy Guide, October, '78 (LWV/T) and turn to p. 2, STATEWIDE FUNDRAISING. Please read.

2. You might also want to consider the sharing formula adopted by National Board at its January '79 meeting. (Jan. Bd. Report '79 p. 14) It reads:

   " Sharing formula: The first policy improvement in national fundraising from corporations is an increase in the sharing formula. Henceforth, unrestricted gifts of $ 1,000 and up to the LWVEF or LWVUS will be shared 10 percent with the state League and 10 percent with the local League in the place where the solicitation was made, regardless of local or state League assistance or precious gifts by the company to those Leagues. The LWVUS will communicate with the local and stateLeagues in advance of solicitation of companies and invite suggestions and cooperation as appropriate. The goal is to raise more money for any or all three levels of the League. The local and state Leagues may ask the LWVUS to postpone a solicitation but will not be able to withhold a company from LWVUS or LWVEF solicitation indefinitely."

3. Below are possible changes for SB to consider in our current LWV/T sharing formula:

   a) in 3rd paragragh beginning with "Successful state League ... of a local League contribution plus 20% of the ..."

      change to : "plus a percentage of the ..."

      reason: specifics shouldn't be in this introduction, but rather in the numbered guidelines.

   b)

Alternative # 1 (if PMP is "enough")	Alternative # 2 (if PMP is "short")
1. Former contributions:	Former contributions:
delete last sentence	delete last sentence
plus 20% - retain	plus 20% - change to 10 %
2. New contributions:	New contributions:
30 % - retain	30% - change to 20%
3. Finder's Fee - retain	Finder's fee - retain
4. Restricted contributions (but not less than 100)-retain	Restricted contributions: ~~(but not less than $ 100)~~ -drop
Delete last sentence	Delete last sentence

LWV-Texas
March 29, 1979
Pre-board

FROM: Betty A. via S.O.

Betty would like for you to see what LLs sent as "Recommendations to State Board" in their annual reports. Copies will also go to new board.

Bay Area: Want a more efficient way of shipping Voters Guides. They could never determine what the bus drop-off point was; they also lost some in shipping.

Baytown: Want state or national to investigate group libility insurance with LL participation.

Want a monthy or bi-monthly "swap shop" review of the more interesting VOTER articles from other LLs instead of receiving all the VOTERs. Would save time & postage.

Dallas: Skill & sophistication of LWV-T board have grown much in past four yrs. Dallas board is pleased with state's policies and operation.

Denton: Increased PMPs have put dues amounts close to members' breaking point. Know costs have risen, but fear League ideal of being available to all interested in govt. is being lost. Overall state membership is down because League is being priced too high. Please hold line in PMP assessment and work harder for grants & contributions.

Houston: Membership growth should continue as a priority.
Voters Service materials for non-English speaking should be encouraged.
Wish for more publications on how to conduct an election.
(Note -- that's a quote. Don't ask me what that means. Joann)

Richardson: League must reorganize to utilize members that are becoming busier.
Have always felt all program items must be studied -- now it's impossible.
League needs to set reasonable goals and change expectations.
Make forms easy as possible to fill out (directed at national)
National publications not well utilized, tho they are excellent.
Local paper will not publish news releases, tho LWV appreciates them.
Want national to tell them what is absolutely necessary to accomplish.
In League is vague -- want specifics.

For state: All of the above, plus -- don't have to send LL VOTERs to all Leagues. Summarize activities, then presidents can correspond if they so desire.
Close-by Leagues may wish to share board notes -- most important to communicate with one's neighbors.
Happy that convention is on a weekend.
Want LWV-T to suggest ways to reorganize so LLs can become more program oriented and less involved in administration.
Studies such as Urban Crisis difficult for small suburbs to study; alternatives for both state & local program might be offered each year.

more

San Antonio: Many people discouraged from joining League by high dues -- League appears to be an elitist group. Are proposing to national that 10% of members could be "Provisional," "Associate," "Youth," and would not be assessed by national & state or, at most, would be assessed a nominal amount of perhaps $1. Dues could be $5 or $6 for first two or three years, making the League attractive to many who want to learn more about our services but who are not yet ready to make a large commitment to the League.

For state: During past two years state board has dedicated itself to supporting LLs, improving services partially provided in the past: information and how-to's on lobbying; training sessions in leadership for LL officers; providing advisors to LLs available on a continuing basis; finance drive guidance. We hope these services will continue as we believe deeply in the importance of the "grass roots" to the entire League program.

Tarrant Co.: Is essential that background publications for study reach LLs early enough. Urban Crisis deadline too close to info publication. Fall consensus would have been better, though it would delay lobby efforts. However, members would have been more confident that consensus was based on informed choices.

Is also important to indicate which of several background publications is to be the "every member" one. We guessed incorrectly and ordered one too early, but could only afford to send one publication on U/C to every member.

Finance reports to national should be based on the fiscal year of the local League, thus avoiding keeping two sets of books.

See also letter included in Tarrant Co. Feb. VOTER, p. 7

For state: We need earlier, more complete information about state activities to allow sufficient preparation time on the local level. This is true of both program materials and of state or regional gatherings such as Lobby Day, state convention, state council. It is important that there be enough time to publicize things through the local League VOTERs.

Following Leagues sent an annual report but had no reply to recommendations to state & national boards:

Abilene	Galveston
Austin	Orange
Beaumont	Sherman
Corpus	Victoria
El Paso	Waco

No annual report received from the remaining Leagues.

FROM: Jan Albers

LWV-Texas
March 22, 1979
Pre-board

TEF: I talked to Janice May about "How the Legislature Works" which she says is sketched out and she's still researching. However, the publishers of the book she is writing are pressuring her to complete three more chapters by the first week in April. The earliest I expect her to get a rough draft to me is the end of the second week in April. Do you still want to proceed with the project?

LWV-T: Some of the more important issues program people need to resolve are:

1) How to influence House Appropriations and Senate Finance before final mark-up. I recommend that one letter from LWV-T be sent to all committee members indicating that we are particularly interested in appropriations for these areas:

- money for probation services -- adult and juvenile (Diana C. will draft these sentences);
- increase in basic AFDC payments (Jan C. will draft);
- increase in Energy Dev. Fund (Laura K. will draft);

and for the Senate Finance Committee add

- Jail Standards Commission (Diana C. will draft).

I hope the letter will be as brief as possible. It would be run in the Leg. Newsletter so that LLs know what we are doing and encourage them to draft their own versions.

2) We need to decide if and when to support SB 611 -- Farabee's county ordinance-making authority. (See Newsletter #8).

3) Need to decide to what extent and which of the budget execution bills we can support. (Louise, will you give this some thought.)

4) Do we all agree that LWV-T could support circuit breaker approach (see Urban Brief #4 from national) under our financing state government positions? If so, I think this board might suggest to new board that this would be a good project to work on. The public needs to be educated in prepartation for future sessions. I believe the circuit breaker apporach is the best way out of the mess the Legislature is creating with implementation of the "tax relief amendment." The League might want to form an educational coalition to work on this. A number of lobby groups support the approach and some other groups are working to educate the public -- such as the Texas Research League.

LWV-TEF
March, 1979
Preboard Report

FROM: Lois Carpenter
RE: TEF Projects

LOCAL LEAGUE PROJECTS

Completed Dallas--Juvenile Justice Slide Show

Galveston--Voters Guide for January election. Videotape too.

Pending Austin Voters Guides for Nov., 1978 election. Just need evaluation from Supervisor Clem.

Citizen's Guide publication. This was underway before we started this "system" but I have received some info on it and suppose I should still receive Supervisor's Evaluation from Tilley and financial clearance from Sturgis.

Dallas City budget-making publications and workshops done. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Perrine & financial clearance from Sturgis.

Zoning ordinances publication and units done. Need evaluation from Polter and financial clearance fr. Sturgis

Voters Guides for Nov., 1978 election done. Financial clearsnce received. Need supervisor's evaluation--Clem.

Voters Guides for Apr., 1979 elections. City council election indefinitely postponed & they request the funds simply be held until the election is scheduled again--hopefully in a few months, which I assume can be done with no problem. (But I wonder what about the school election?)

Denton Your Elected Officials brochure. Due to be printed in early May, 1979.

Irving Mental health services brochure. Was at the printer at the end of Feb.

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March 25, 1979

To: State Board
From: Jan

I am really sorry not to be able to be at convention or the board meeting. Lucy said earlier that she would field questions on H.R. and you can decide whether you still want this format. Maybe Jan even wants to do it.

Update: Jan A. can tell you as much about AFDC as I can, along with the coalition. Many of you have received copies of a letter I wrote to Gov. Hobby.

I have kept track of leagues doing the urban crisis study, and more leagues have done it than not. I have had some nice complements about the slide show, but do not know how useful it really was. I think there has been a great variety in how this subject has been treated locally, and perhaps this creativity has been an asset to the whole study.

As Madeleine will tell you, some kind of Humanities grant has been awarded to the Urban Crisis project nationally. The details sent to me were to save April 17 for a meeting in Washington with more details coming later. I will plan to go, although I cannot go to the regular committee meeting on a Thursday in late May.

If you, as a board, want to make comments on the study, be sure and send them directly to Washington. I am personally going to request again that a run through of all consensus questions be done in a sample unit in a nearby league in Washington. But I have requested this of almost every national study...

I think we will begin to see more local study on local financial matters such as budgets, taxes etc. at a local level as a spin-off of this study in the next few yaars, which is also related to the Prop.13 problems.

As for how the campaign is going...I am fairly optimistic of eventually winning. The run-off looms in front of me because there are 23 candidates running for 6 slots. In order to win outright, you have to have ~~12x~~ one twelth plus one of all the levers pulled. i.e. if 10,000 people pull 6 levers, or 60,000 levers are pulled, I would have to have 5001 votes to win. Many people pull less than 6 so it is totally unpredictable. But it is hard to win on the first go around. I am using all the techniques learned in Lubbock so you see it had some benefit.

I want also to get in writing how much I have enjoyed working with everyone this past two years. Actually, you are all fantastic. I have been so impressed at what everyone has done and taken leadership in so many ways. Betty has been a charm to work under and I appreciate her tact, intellegence, personality, League acumen, and hard work for the people of this state. Good luck.... and happy convention. Jan

let me know how you like the "Text for Texans."

State Board Meeting & Retreat
May 15, 2:00 P.M. thru May 17, 2:00 P.M.

LWV of Texas
May, 1979
Pre-board Report

Camp Allen
[redacted]

see map attached

The Camp Allen Conference Center is in the middle of beautiful woods. We will meet in the large conference room, have meals down the hall, and sleep in double rooms down the hill.

The first meal is dinner on Tuesday, so please eat lunch before arriving. The lifestyle is very informal; you can bring your swim suit, jogging shoes, or hiking boots for the short bursts of free time. Ice is available, bring your own "liquid refreshment" of whatever sort, plus snacks -- cheese, crackers, etc. We have the use of a small refrigerator. There is a soft drink machine (expensive).

The following room assignments have been made pairing old and new board members, smokers separated from non-smokers as best I (Diana) can remember.

Clark - Sarles	Carpenter - Gordon
Brown - Price	Perrine - Bene
Clem - Davis	Sturgis - Lanier
Keever - Gehan	Lovelace - Swift

Wilbur & Shapiro will arrive Wednesday.

AGENDA

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 Board Nuts & Bolts
- Approve appointed members
- Introduction to the State Board Experience
  . . . and games (no more than seven min., I promise) — Clark
- Agenda adjustments
- Office organization - how to make it work
  for you -- and me — Lovelace
  . What the office does and doesn't do
  . Files - a semi-painless system — Clark
    What to keep for how long
    Transferring portfolio files
- Money, how to spend it, how to get yours back -- — Sturgis
  unravelling the budget code; vouchers
- What the board secretary expects — Carpenter/Gordon
- CORES - Program PR Organization — Brown, Clem, Keever
  . What's their purpose, who's in which, are they necessary?
  . Everything a coreperson needs to know about her bailiwick (and everyone else's)

- more -

- Misc. business
  . Select president *pro tem*
  . Policy Committee volunteers
  . Bylaws Committee " (Brown chairs)
  . Nominating Committee representatives (2)
  . Council '80; Convention '81 sites
    Board Liaison -
  . DPM review - who gets what, who keeps track
  . New ideas from Council '79 Clark/Brown

5:30 Happy hour
6:00 Dinner
7:00 Priorities -- Planning -- Projecting
  Part 1 - Brainstorming
    Evaluation of last year's goals, from old & new board members' perspectives
  Part 2 - Structure to achieve

WEDNESDAY

8:00 Breakfast
8:30 Meet in core committees -- some possible considerations:

Program
. Calendar planning
. "Historical Perspective" -- update, do over, eliminate, etc.
. "We Support"
. Special session plans
. Legislative Director - stipend?
. Review current session's work
. Program's role in total state League structure *vis-a-vis* local League needs
. A.J. Adult Corrections consensus questions
. etc.

Organization Beth & Bartha have already met. Perhaps you could divide up and give the org. component for Program & PR meetings . . .

P.R.
. Publishing plans & projects (TEF)
. Voters service calendar (TEF)
. Who's getting our message?
. Preliminary Council '80 discussion
. etc.

Noon Lunch
1:00 P.M. LWV-Texas Plenary Session
- Minutes
- President's report
- Unfinished agenda from Tuesday
- Review and adopt calendar
- Review San Antonio convention; evaluation
- Reports from cores & committees
- Adopt adult corrections consensus questions
- Wichita Falls situation

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- more -

WEDNESDAY EVENING

7:00 P.M. Priorities -- Planning -- Projecting
Part 3 - Strategies for implementing
- Special committees, etc.

THURSDAY MORNING

See TEF sheet

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

12:45 Finish TEF
Final LWV-T business
. Dates to remember

2:00 Adjourn

LWV-Texas Education Fund

THURSDAY

8:00 A.M.	Breakfast	
8:30	LWV-TEF Plenary Session	
	- Elect officers	
	- Discuss executive committee function	
	- Adopt budget	
	- Orientation	
	. Review guidelines (TEF Handbook)	Sturgis
	. Review LL supervisors' role	Sturgis
	- Approve LL projects	Clark
	- Development	
	. Plans for raising money - how, when, why, by whom	Lanier
	. A policy for involving LLs in state or national projects	Lanier
	. Institute for Contemporary Problems project	Lanier
	- "Wingspread" IR project	Clark/Keever
	- New studies	
	. School Finance (plans)	Wilbur
	. Initiative & Referendum (plans)	Keever
	. Adult Corrections update	Clark
Noon	Lunch	
12:45	Finish TEF	

See LWV-T agenda for remaining items

TO: State Board
FROM: Diana Clark

LWV-Texas
May 1, 1979
Preboard

Not only is this my first attempt at planning a three-day board meeting, but I am doing it without running it by the vice presidents first. That is why there is a little note for Tuesday called "agenda adjustments". If things look badly out of kilter or you would like to add something major, either call me before the 11th of May, or speak up on Tuesday.

This is coming to you from Washington D. C. where Beth Brown and I are your delegates to National Council. We have been invited to a briefing by the State Department and then to "have refreshments in the Rose Garden to be joined by the president."

Please bring with you to Navasota---

- green memo from Ethel Sturgis on Guidelines for budget control
- State Board Handbook
- policy guide
- Historical Perspective
- TEF Handbook
- We Support
- Patience, good humor, aspirin, and lots of imagination.

A map for Navasota is enclosed.

Carolyn L. will meet with Carole Shlipak on the 14th and drive with us from Dallas. Caroline Chamblin will not be with us as she has a professional meeting in Boston. Olive Shapiro is receiving a prestigious award from the American Institute of Architects in Dallas on Tuesday night. She will arrive on Wednesday morning somehow. Jan Wilbur has agreed to chair the school finance update off board. She will join us Wednesday also.

LWV-Texas
May, 1979
LL Pres. Mailing (2)

TO: LL Presidents, 2 copies (please forward 2nd copy to LL Treasurer)
FROM: Jeanette Vanderwater, Budget Chair

LOCAL LEAGUE SUPPORT FOR 1979-80 STATE BUDGET

Local League support of the state League is based on local League membership as of 1/1/79 x $7.50 state Per-Member Payment, or on minimum support of $250 per local League as voted at the 1979 State Convention.

League	Membership 1/1/79	Support	League	Membership 1/1/79	Support
Abilene	41	$ 307.50	Lubbock	126	$ 945.00
Amarillo	65	487.50	Marshall/Harr. Co.	38	285.00
Austin	263	1972.50	Midland	62	465.00
Bay Area	59	442.50	Odessa	34	255.00
Baytown	44	330.00	Orange Area	35	262.50
Beaumont	139	1042.50	Pearland Area	33	250.00
Brazos County	79	592.50	Plano	23	250.00
Brownsville	32	250.00	Richardson	39	292.50
Corpus Christi	110	825.00	Rockwall County	41	307.50
Dallas	439	3292.50	San Antonio Area	140	1050.00
Denton	90	675.00	San Marcos	45	337.50
Edinburg/McAllen	23	250.00	Sherman	110	825.00
El Paso	55	412.50	Tarrant County	204	1530.00
Gainesville	16	250.00	Temple Area	57	427.50
Galveston	166	1245.00	Tyler	32	250.00
Harlingen	17	250.00	Victoria	80	600.00
Houston	612	4590.00	Waco Area	105	787.50
Irving	75	562.50	Wichita Falls	49	367.50
Lamar County	42	315.00			
				3684	$27,580.00

Please check your membership count as of 1/1/79 and support amount. If you have any questions or changes, let the state office know as soon as possible.

LWV-Texas
May, 1979
Directory

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

ADOPTED BUDGET 1979 - 1980

INCOME

A. Support		
1. Local League Support		
a. Per-Member Payment	$ 27,580.00	Based upon a per-member payment of $7.50, with seven Leagues paying the minimum, $250.00.
b. Contributions	-0-	Voluntary contributions in addition to the PMP.
2. State Unit Support		
a. Member Dues	940.00	Forty-seven members at $20 each.
b. Finance Effort	400.00	State Units pay 25% of their finance receipts to LWV-Texas.
3. Dues, Members at Large	680.00	Thirty-four MALs at $20 each.
4. Provisional League Support	-0-	None anticipated at this time.
5. Contributing Memb. Supp. (nat'l)	75.00	State's share of this.
6. Nat'l Fundraising, state share	20.00	LWV-T part of national fundraising.
Sub-total A	29,695.00	
B. Interest on Savings	600.00	Interest on investments & svgs. acct.
C. Sale of Publications		
1. DPMs	1800.00	Ninety at $20 each.
2. Standing Orders	1400.00	Two hundred at $7 each.
3. Publications on Hand	400.00	Sale of publications on hand.
4. "We Support"	800.00	Sale of 1979-81 edition.
Sub-total C	4400.00	
D. Contributions		
1. Member Cash	50.00	Member contributions to LWV-Texas.
2. State Fundraising	6875.00	Non-member contributions to LWV-T.
3. State bd. & committees, non-cash	-0-	Budgeted board & comm. expenses, not reimbursed.
Sub-total D	6925.00	
E. Contractual Services	-0-	None this fiscal year.
F. Convention/Council		
1. Council 1980	3000.00	Council fees, matched by expense item P. 3.
G. Professional Assistance	2500.00	Donated services from advertising agency and auditor.
TOTAL INCOME	$47,120.00	

EXPENSES

N. State Office		
1. Equipment Maintenance	655.00	Mimeo, $130; typewriters $135; postage meter, $170; postage scale $50; mail machine $120; misc. $50.
2. General Supplies	1500.00	Supplies not charged to a specific budget item.
3. Postage	1500.00	Postage not charged to a specif. item.
4. Telephone	1000.00	All phone costs except high-cost LD calls charged to other budget items.
5. Insurance	190.00	Fire $17; liability $52; bonding $42; burglary $28; workman's comp. $50.
6. Rent	4176.00	Sixty cents/square ft.
7. Salaries	11510.00	Exec. secy., full time @ $625/mo.; Clerk-typist, 5 hrs./day @ $310/mo.; additional 100 hrs. at minimum.
8. Payroll Taxes	1313.00	Social Sec., state unemployment tax, fed. unemployment tax.
9. Audit & Tax Report	375.00	Audit books & prepare tax report.
10. Equipment Purchases	50.00	Miscellaneous equipment.
11. Office Overhead	(3000.00)	Difference betw. actual supply cost & 6¢/page charged to other budget items.
12. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(6423.00)	1/3 of state office expense based upon time spent on TEF.
Sub-total N	12846.00	
O. Board and Administrative		
1. President		
a. Travel, per diem, & Representation	1200.00	Fourteen 2-day visits to state ofc., additional money for other trips.
b. Secretarial Assistance	300.00	Eight hrs./minth at minimum wage.
c. Telephone	350.00	League phone in president's home.
d. Postage & Supplies	120.00	Xeroxing, etc.
2. Treasurer	275.00	LD phone calls, supplies, etc.
3. Board of Directors		
a. Tools	510.00	Nineteen DPMs, four LASs, misc.
Training	623.00	Expenses for extra day for board members and other costs.
b. Board Meetings, March	1726.00	Held with Council.
June, Sept., Jan.	3827.00	Held at Rather House, $1275 each.
November (mini)	890.00	Held in homes.
c. Administration	200.00	Phone, supplies, postage not handled by state office.
d. Mailings to Board	1500.00	Weekly mailings to bd; bi-weekly to off-bd., includes material & postage.
4. Administrative Committees		
a. Budget	211.00	Expenses of 3 members to Nov. mtg. & other costs.
b. Development	250.00	Expenses of fundraising.
c. Interim Committees	300.00	Expenses of bd. members for special comm. mtgs. held between bd. mtgs.
d. Nominating	142.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
5. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(4011.00)	1/3 of "Board & Administrative" except Development & Nominating
Sub-total O	8413.00	

EXPENSES (cont.)

P.	Convention/Council		
	1. State Council, 1980	3000.00	All Council costs, incl. exp. of Budget Chair, Nom. Comm. (3), & others invited by st. board. Excludes costs for st. bd,
	2. National Convention, 1980	1450.00	3 delegates to Washington, D.C.
	Sub-total P	4450.00	
Q.	National Services		
	1. MAL PMP	340.00	$10 each based upon 1/1/79 count.
	2. State Units, PMP	470.00	$10 each based upon 1/1/79 count.
	Sub-total Q	810.00	
R.	Public Relations		
	1. Vice President's Expense	150.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
	2. VOTER	3230.00	4 issues; update mailing list twice.
	3. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(1292.00)	40% of VOTER costs
	4. PSA Slides	100.00	Subject(s) to be determined.
	5. Publications		
	a. DPMs	1800.00	90 at $20 each.
	b. Standing Orders	1400.00	200 at $7 each.
	c. Publications on Hand	180.00	Distribution costs.
	d. Legislative Newsletter	70.00	1 issue after June 1, 1979.
	e. "We Support"	700.00	New edition.
	Sub-total R	6338.00	
S.	Organization		
	1. Vice President's Expense	200.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
	2. Field Service		
	a. Reps. & Director	2100.00	Travel, phone, supplies, postage.
	b. Special Consultants	300.00	Upon request of LL & under direction of Field Service Director.
	3. Workshops	304.00	Special workshop for LL presidents.
	4. "Project Outreach"	1000.00	New project to organize new Leagues & strengthen existing weak Leagues.
	5. New Leagues	100.00	
	6. Membership	250.00	Expenses of memb. committee. Cost of membership aids for LLs.
	7. Provisional League	-0-	None
	8. State Unit Support	250.00	Leadership materials & special services for state units.
	9. Mailings to state units	329.00	47 MALs at $7 each.
	10. Mailings to MALs	238.00	34 MALs at $7 ea.; 10 monthly mailings.
	11. Mailings to LL Presidents	1800.00	10 monthly mailings to LL presidents.
	12. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(473.00)	1/5 of cost of mailings to LLPs, SU, MALs.
	Sub-total S	6398.00	
T.	Program		
	1. Vice President's Expense	300.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
	2. Program Action	2500.00	AJ, Energy, Water, HR: $375 ea. Govt., Air, PTR: $200 ea. CZM-LU: $100. SW, IR: $25 ea. Uncommitted: $250.
	3. Coalitions	100.00	Dues to other organizations.
	Sub-total T	2900.00	
U.	Legislative Office	250.00	Final wrap-up after June 1, 1979.
V.	Professional Assistance (in-kind)	2500.00	Advertising agency & auditor
W.	LL Share of State Fundraising	2215.00	Percentage of state fundraising.
	TOTAL EXPENSES	$47,120.00	

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

ADOPTED BUDGET 1979 - 1980

	INCOME		
A.	Contributions		
	1. Unrestricted	$ 10,244	Results of state-wide fund raising after local league share of unrestricted and restricted contributions have been posted to item A4.
	2. Tribute Gifts	600	Memorial gifts.
	3. Restricted Cash	63,550	Total gift less administrative fee.
	4. Local League Restricted Funds	10,650	No administrative fee on $4,000. A 5% administrative fee on $7,000.
	5. State League Share of National Fund Raising	10	Texas's share of national fund raising.
	Sub-Total A	$ 85,054	
B.	Interest	$ 2,600	Interest on investments.
C.	Administrative Fees		
	1. Local League Accounts	$ 350	Five percent of $7,000 raised by LL.
	2. Restricted Grants	300	Administrative fee on these grants.
	Sub-Total C	$ 650	
D.	Sale of Publications		
	1. Voter Guides	$ 4,000	An amendments election, Nov. 1979, and the primary, May 1980, matched by item O1f.
	2. Public Subscription Serv.	600	Publications sent to public on a subscription service.
	3. Current Issue Publication	1,600	Matched items, P1 and P2a.
	Sub-Total D	$ 6,200	
E.	Special Fund Raising Event	$ 1,150	Profit only from an event.
F.	Professional Assistance	$ 3,000	Donated services from an advertising agency and the auditor.
	TOTAL INCOME	$ 98,654	

	EXPENSES		
N.	Shared Services with LWV-Texas and Administration		
	1. Shared Services		
	a. Office Overhead	$ 6,423	One-third of item N (LWV-T budget), based upon time spent.
	b. Trutees Meetings, etc.	4,011	One-third of item O (LWV-T budget) excluding O4b and O4d, based on time.
	c. VOTER	1,292	Forty percent of item R3 (LWV-T)
	d. Mailings	473	One-fifth of items S 8-10 (LWV-T)
	2. Administration	200	Supervision of local league accounts.
	Sub-Total N	$ 12,399	

LWV-TEF ADOPTED BUDGET (cont'd)

EXPENSES (cont'd)

O.	Public Relations, Unrestricted		
	1. Voter Service and Citizen Educ.		
	a. Communications	$ 200	Free mailings to the public.
	b. Public Service Announc.	200	Announcements on citizen participation.
	c. League News Service	300	Costs of preparation and distribution of state wide news releases.
	d. Precinct Participation	100	Information on precinct participation.
	e. Voter Guides	4,000	Cost of the Guides for an amendment election, 1979, and primary, 1980. Matched by sales, item D1.
	2. Development		
	a. External Contributions	1,000	Cost of non-member solicitation.
	b. Membership Contributions	255	Cost of member solicitation including memorial gifts.
	Sub-Total O	$ 6,055	
P.	Program, Unrestricted		
	1. Current Issue Development	$ 800	Research and publication costs for "Leaders Guide" on two items.
	2. Publications		
	a. Current Issue (1)	800	Printing costs for one F&I-type publication.
	b. Public Subscription Service	600	Cost of publications and postage.
	c. Promotion	100	Promotional costs for sale of pubs.
	3. Monitoring	200	Costs of monitoring selected governmental agencies.
	4. Research and Resource Activities	300	Background material for conducting workshops, producing publications, etc.
	5. Education Conferences	200	Attendance at selected conferences.
	Sub-Total P	$ 3,000	
Q.	Publications and Projects, Restricted	$ 63,550	State board will draft proposals.
R.	Local League Restricted Fund		
	1. Projects	$ 6,650	LL projects approved by state board.
	2. Purchases	4,000	Authorized expenditures not subject to 5% administrative fee.
	Sub-Total R	$ 10,650	
S.	Professional Assistance (in-kind)	$ 3,000	Donated services by advertising agency and the auditor.
	TOTAL EXPENSES	$ 98,654	

LWV-TEF
May, 1979
Preboard

FROM: Lois Carpenter
RE: TEF Projects

TEF PROJECTS (Projects of the Fund itself)

Completed - None yet...

Pending

Criminal Justice in Texas--Corrections. (F&I) In process.

Energy: A Dialogue III. Postponed for a few months.

E.Q. Mini-Grant. Just need financial clearance. Sturgis is waiting on last bill.

How the Legislature Works. Writing due to be finished soon? Publication postponed to prior to the 1981 legislative session.

Nuclear Waste Documentary. To be finished this month.

When You Go to Austin. Just need project director's report from Tilley (???) and financial clearance from Sturgis.

New - We gave tentative approval of these at the last two board meetings, but did not have all the details. My feeling is that they have been approved in concept only.

International Trade.(LWVEF pass-through with some funds to be raised witin the state during the summer. See Feb. TEF minutes on National Trade Conf.) Still needs Project Request Form and Supervisor. I assume Pearl Wincorn is to be Director since she attended the conference and would be expected to carry through.

Conference on Bases of Environmental Regulation. (Leftover Tenneco funds--see March TEF minutes on Possible New Project and April 1 quickie mtg.) This still needs "everything"--PRF, Director and/or Supervisor.

LOCAL LEAGUE PROJECTS

Austin

Voters Guide for Nov., 1978 election. Just need supervisor's evaluation. Clem is working on it.

Citizen's Guide to Austin. Cannot receive financial clearance until all copies are sold probably by June.

Voter's Key. Just approved at March board meeting. Already gone to press. Tilley approved copy.

Dallas

City budget-making. Publications and workshops done. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Perrine and financial clearance from Sturgis.

Zoning ordinances. Publication and units done. Need evaluation from Polter and financial clearance from Sturgis.

Local League Projects, cont'd

Dallas, cont'd Voters Guides for November, 1978. Done. Financial clearance rec'd. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Clem.

Voters Guides for April, 1979 elections. Postponed due to postponed election.

Denton Your Elected Officials brochure. To be printed this month. Cummins is supervisor.

Irving Mental health services brochure. Was printed in late Feb. or March I think. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Shlipak and financial clearance from Sturgis.

San Antonio Voters Guides for November, 1978. Done. Financial clearance from Sturgis received. Just need supervisor's evaluation from Clem.

Urban Crisis Seminar. Held Feb.2. Need supervisor's evaluation from Coggeshall and financial clearance from Sturgis. (Cog. had written for, but not yet received the reports from S.A. as of mid-Apr.)

Tax relief seminar. Held on March 2. Need evaluation from Cummins and $$clearance from Sturgis.

Voters Guides for April city election. Presumably done. Need evaluation from Appel and $$ clearance from Sturgis.

San Marcos Survey of Hays County. Published last fall. I am supervising--supposedly. Have called in Jan. and written in March and April asking for report forms. Will call again before May board meeting.

Tarrant Co. Voters Guides for April elections. Presumably done. Need evaluation and $$ clearance, both from Sturgis.

NEW PROJECT REQUESTS

Waco Area Directory of Elected Officials for Waco Area.
10,000 copies on colored paper, 8 1/2 x 11 flyer. Names of elected officials of area communities & school districts, plus national & state officials.

To be distributed through libraries, city halls, schools, mail outs.

Proposed project director - Nita Sue Kent 772-6710
10013 Shadowcrest, Waco 76710

Printing	$300.00
volunteers' exp.	50.00
Total requested	350.00

Project Supervisor_____

April 26, 1979

PRE BOARD REPORT

Meg Titus

Air Quality

Work toward passage of CSHB 726 on the floor of the Senate will continue. Though there has been some questioning of the LWV-T position on the bill, I have continued to work primarily toward its passage and secondarily toward getting some strengthening amendments attached. Senator Clower has agreed to present them on the Senate floor--a choice made by several of us who were concerned that presenting them in the Economic Development committee might prove counterproductive..... As you recall passage of inspection/maintenance legislation this session is mandatory if the EPA is to approve the Texas State Implementation Plan by the deadline of June 30, 1979. It will not be approvable without I/M legislation--this is from the "horse's mouth". Hence our priority for passage of the bill over strengthening amendments. I would like to see the improved "comflict of interest" amendment fly but I think the others will actually make little difference in the manner in which the TACB implements the CAAAA of 1977 as the federal act takes precedence over any state legislation or plan.

I am also continuing work on the two-sides-of-one-page flow chart on the Clean Air Act--a request from the LWVUS EQ committee. It has been a long and painful process to condense this complex legislation into two pages--in fact the regional official with whom I am working on it still feels that we may not be able to do it in that small a space. We do hope to have a tool, though, which can be used by all state and local Leagues in assessing the implementation of their SIPs and further as preparation for responding to an LWVUS call to action when (not if) the attack on the CAAA comes in Congress.

As a result of attending the EPA-sponsored I/M conference in Austin in April I am now coordinator for the North Central Texas Regional Task Force for I/M. We have been approved for but have not yet received an EPA grant of $2000 to accomplish public education efforts in this part of the state during the two year period alloted in CSHB 726 for a pilot volunteer I/M project in Houston. Several Leaguers are working on the task force and we plan to do TV spots for free emissions testing in two locations in Dallas and Fort Worth during Clean Air Week (April 30-May 5), plan to establish a speakers bureau , set up shppping center demonstrations on reducing emissions, talk to as many organizations and drivers education classes as possible and do TV spots and Voters Digest types of things to raise community awareness about the advantages of an I/M program.

For next year I see the I/M task force work as our primary effort throughout the state. Also monitoring of the Houston pilot program and monitoring of the TACBs implementation of the SIP will be important. Additional and continuing efforts will ha ve to be made to keep our Congressional delegation aware of our position against gutting the Clean Air Act will require some time and effort. It will probably be a busy air year even without a legislative session!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

1212 Guadalupe, #109
Austin, Texas 78701

MINUTES

May 15-17, 1979

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

MINUTES
Camp Allen
Navasota, Texas

May 15-17, 1979

PRESENT: Bene, Brown, Carpenter, Clark, Clem, Davis, Gehan, Gordon, Keever, Lanier, Perrine, Price, Sarles, Sturgis, Swift, and state office executive secretary Lovelace.

ABSENT: Chamblin and Shapiro

1. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Clark called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. May 15. She introduced and welcomed to the board new members Nancy Bene of Austin, Publications Director; Jeannette Davis of Abilene, Citizen Information/Voter Service Director; Brenda Gehan of Houston, Human Resources Director; Catherine Gordon of Waco, Secretary; Carolyn Lanier of Lubbock, Development Director; Nancy Price of San Antonio, VOTER Editor; Martha Sarles of Galveston, Membership-Field Service Director; and Judith Swift of Houston, Human Resources Director; New member Caroline Chamblin of Amarillo, Government Director was attending a professional meeting in Boston. Olive Shapiro of Dallas, Energy Director will arrive tomorrow, as she is receiving an award from the American Institute of Architects in Dallas this evening.

2. BOARD ORIENTATION

State office executive secretary Lovelace explained state office personnel and procedure.

Clark urged every member to become familiar with the State Board Handbook and discussed board member's notebooks and files. She requested that all reports be coded to correspond with the state office's filing system. All board members receive a state and national duplicate president's mailing plus a state office mailing every Friday including pre-board and post-board reports.

Sturgis said she prepares a budget and analysis for every board meeting. She urged all board members to use vouchers for reimbursement and include budget line item number. Board member expenses are line item 0.3.b. and 0.3.c. in the budget. Board members are reimbursed for travel at 10 cents per mile. Telephone calls more than $6.00 are charged to committee expenses.

Carpenter asked that board members give written reports of motions, names of people and organizations to the secretary.

The vice-presidents were introduced and reported on their core. Brown, Organization Vice-President informed the board that Sarles will chair membership, state units, and members-at-large. Brown will carry the rest of the core. She plans to use advisory boards to lessen the work of the board.

Clem, Public Relations Vice-President, stated that Bene would be carrying Publications, press releases and services to the media. Price will be Texas VOTER editor, and Davis will chair Voter Service/Citizen Information. Activities will depend on personnel available.

Keever, Program Vice-President announced that there are two new Human Resources Directors on board, Brenda Gehan and Judith Swift. Gehan will carry

welfare reform, food stamps, medicaid, daycare and children, and employment. Swift will carry housing, education, revenue sharing, and urban crisis.

President Clark called the first plenary session to order at 5:10 p,m.

3. APPOINTED DIRECTORS AND PORTFOLIO ASSIGNMENTS

The following directors were recommended for appointment by President Clark: Jeannette Davis, Nancy Price, Olive Shapiro, and Judith Swift. Recommended for off-board assignments were Jan Wilbur, Helen Hunter, Louise Cummins, Pearl Wincorn, Meg Titus, Bobette Higgins, Betty Anderson, and Mary Sieber. Portfolio assignments are as follows: Bene, Publications; Carpenter, Administration of Justice; Chamblin, Government; Davis, Voter Service/Citizen Information; Gehan, Human Resources; Lanier, Development; Perrine, Water; Price, Texas VOTER; Sarles, Membership; Shapiro, Energy; Swift, Human Resources; Wilbur, School Finance and Property Tax Reform; Hunter, Modernizing State Government; Cummins, DC Ratification; Wincorn, International Relations, Trade and United Nations; Titus, Air; Higgins, Land Use; Anderson, Women's Issues and Equal Rights Amendment; and Mary Seiber, Publishing Editor.

Brown MOVED that these appointments and assignments be approved. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

4. PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

By common consent, Laura Keever was appointed President Pro Tempore.

5. COUNCIL AND CONVENTION

Clark announced that Waco Area has bid for Council 1980 and Beaumont and Dallas have bid for Convention 1981. Keever MOVED that Convention be held in Dallas. Carpenter moved to table the motion. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Clark will place calls to Dallas and Beaumont to get comparisons on costs of hotel facilities.

Adjourned 5:30 p.m. for dinner.

Reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

6. DUPLICATE PRESIDENT'S MAILINGS

Clark informed the board that the LWV-T purchases state and national Duplicate President's Mailings (DPM's) for all state board members. National DPMs are ordered for state unit chairs because they cannot order them and selected materials are sent to each chair. The national League Action Service is ordered for off-board chairs carrying national program items.

7. LWVUS COUNCIL 1979

Clark and Brown, delegates to the LWVUS Council '79 reported on Council events. Two issues, U.S. constitutional convention and nuclear energy were vigorously debated. Delegates turned down attempts to reach a position on the U.S. con con, but endorsed the publication of an LWVEF piece on the concept of a balanced federal budget, as a companion piece to Constitutional Amendment by Convention: An Untried Alternative.

On the issue of nuclear energy, the Minnesota delegates and others wanted the League's energy position of "no increased reliance on nuclear fission" to be interpreted as meaning no more nuclear energy. Two motions passed which instructed the national board to review the energy position on nuclear energy and to search for funding to conduct a public education program on nuclear issues. Keever commented that as a member of the committee writing the energy position she knew

that "no increased reliance on nuclear fission" meant no increased percentage of nuclear fission in the energy package, not a moratorium on nuclear energy.

8:25 Gehan left.

Brown attended the workshop on Urban Crisis and reported that the focus of the UC program action may be transportation. The LWVUS has selected two members each from thirty five Leagues to receive practical help with transportation projects. Dallas and Houston Leagues were chosen in Texas. State Leagues are not involved.

Sarah Weddington MCed the White House staff briefing on the President's energy proposals and SALT. The President spoke asking the League's support on these issues plus women's issues--particularly recommendations and appointments to federal judgeships.

8. EVALUATION OF LAST YEAR'S GOALS AND PROJECTS

The board members commented favorably on the achievements of last year's goals to assist in strengthening local Leagues and to be a more effective organization. The presidents workshops, press releases, Legislative Day and the first weekend convention were very successful. Convention '79 was the first convention with 100% local League representation. Many Leagues are using the state logo and have improved their VOTERS. A program tool on monitoring national and state program is being developed for Program Outreach. Project Outreach, a one year project to help save a local League was rejected when presented by Brown and Fumi Sugihara to the Brownsville League.

Adjourned 10:30 p.m.

9:00a.m. May 16 the board met in core committees. They adjourned at noon for lunch.

Reconvened at 1:20 p.m. May 16 for the second plenary session.

PRESENT: Bene, Brown, Carpenter, Clark, Clem, Davis, Gordon, Keever, Lanier, Perrine, Price, Sarles, Shapiro, Sturgis, Swift, associate director Wilbur and SO executive secretary Lovelace.

ABSENT: Chamblin and Gehan

9. MINUTES

Minutes of the March 29, 1979 board meeting in San Antonio were approved as published. Clark reported that we have not commended the national board for assisting as a clearing house on the tax relief issues as suggested on page 5, paragraph 2.

10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Clark read a letter from the Tarrant County League extending an invitation to the state board members to attend their Counterpart Workshop June 12, 1979 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Euless Public Library. Brown urged members to attend. Keever plans to attend.

Clark stated that she had received a copy of a letter from Ruth Hinerfeld, national president, to Judy Boulware, president of the Wichita Falls League, complimenting them on their decision to hold their annual meeting in spite of

flood disaster which did various degrees of damage to the personal property of League members as well as destroyed many League records. Houston, Tarrent County, and other Leagues plan to send money to Barbara Glickman, whose home was entirely destroyed. Lovelace reported that all members had food, clothing, and housing.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

Sturgis reported a LWV-T balance of $24,737 as of April 30, 1979. She estimates an uncommitted balance of $8,235 or more realistically, $6,500. Net worth estimate for the May 31, 1979 is $22,461 compared to last year's balance of $22,138.

12. BUDGET COMMITTEE - LWV-T and LWVTEF

Clark named the following board members to serve on the Budget Committee for one year: Vanderwater, Keever, Price. Clark, Sturgis and Lanier serve ex officio. Swift suggested that one of the two off-board appointments be from a small League. Clark asked that suggestions be given to Brown.

13. POLICY COMMITTEE - LWV-T

Clark named the following board members to serve on the Policy Committee: Carpenter, Sturgis, Bene, Keever. Members are to serve for one year.

14. NATIONAL BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Clark asked Brown, Swift, and Perrine to serve on the National Bylaws Committee for one year. State bylaws will be reviewed next year.

15. COUNCIL 1980 PLANNING COMMITTEE

Clark named the following board members to serve on the Council 1980 Planning Committee: Gordon, Lanier, Clem, Brown, and Chamblin.

16. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Clark recommended Clem and Sarles to serve on the Nominating Committee. Brown MOVED that these appointments be approved. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

17. AD HOC CONVENTION/COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Price MOVED to establish an ad-hoc committee to draw up a master plan for future conventions and councils to include procedures, guidelines, etc. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Price consented to chair the committee. Davis and Sturgis will serve also. Helen Hunter and Louise Cummins were suggested as off-board members for appointment.

18. CONVENTION EVALUATION

Brown reported that the San Antonio League received high praise and appreciation for hosting Convention '79. Of 110 evaluations received, 76% recommended weekend conventions for the future. Her written report included comments on the workshops, speakers and physical arrangements. Due to less time on weekends, the state board does need to do much careful planning and perhaps needs to eliminate some activities.

Price, Convention chair, emphasized the need for a budget guideline for councils and conventions. San Antonio cleared approximately $200.

Lanier suggested that some method for delegates to get to know state board members be considered. Clark commented that at national Council each national board member dined with assigned delegates. She was most impressed.

Sturgis explained that for this convention board member's convention expenses were itemized to board expenses instead of convention expenses. This proceuure will continue.

19. CORE REPORTS

A. Public Relation proposed plans were reported by Clem, Bene, Davis, and Price. The following were approved by general consent:

1. Publications - Bene
   a. advertize the Public Subscription Service in the Texas Monthly and the Texas Observer
   b. make the Public Service Subscription year concurrent with the LWV-T fiscal year with January '79 through May '79 being free
   c. make an inventory of all publications in stock and sell at reduced prices
   d. make all copies of When You Go To Austin free and refund local Local Leagues who have already purchased copies
2. Voter Service/ Citizen Information - Davis
   a. compile and print a handbook on how to do an election school at the local level to be available by September 1979
   b. do videotapes for public service announcements
   c. get VS/CI information to the deaf and the blind
   d. prepare a handout on why you should vote
3. VOTERS - Price
   a. feature state publications in the September VOTER
   b. prepare information for editors for a fall DPM
4. News Service and Press Releases - Clem
   a. increase press releases in order to give League greater visibility
   b. do a videotape on membership

The pricing policy for our publications was discussed. Lanier felt that publications should be sold as inexpensively as possible to increase circulation and make finance calls easier. Clark said that cost should include distribution and seed money for future publication as well as printing costs. She asked anyone interested to meet with Bene and Lanier for further discussion of the subject.

Adjourned at 3:07 pm.

Reconvened at 3:30 pm.

B. Organization proposed plans were reported by Brown and Sarles. The following were approved by general consent:

1. develop a list of professional skills that can be acquired while serving in various League portfolios
2. develop a list of trainers for leadership development
3. develop a moderator's training kit
4. adopt a pilot project of financial incentive for membership growth

Brown MOVED that the state board adopt a policy for one year only that for

every 10% increase in membership a local League achieves over it's last year's total, it will receive a 5% reduction in its per-member payment to state for the following year. SECONDED AND CARRIED. (Ten-Five, Good Buddy)

C. Program proposed plans were reported by Keever, Swift, and Perrine

1. Human Resources - Swift
   a. Divide the portfolio with Gehan. Gehan will carry welfare (including reform) food stamps, medicaid, children's issues and day care and employment. Swift will carry housing, loan programs, Section 8 and community development, revenue sharing, education and urban crisis.
   b. Prepare a series of at least 4 HR briefs
   c. Travel to local communities to observe HR programs in action
2. Water - Perrine
   a. Prepare one or more VOTER inserts on water
3. Land Use - Bobette Higgins in pre-board report
   a. Form a coastal coalition to monitor coastal agency activities and do an on-going public awareness program for coastal issues
4. Air Quality - Titus
   a. Primary effort will be with the Inspection and Maintenance Task Force of the North Central Texas Region. Titus is the co-ordinator for this task force.
   b. Monitoring of the Houston Inspection and Maintanance pilot project approved by the last Legislature (CSHB 726).
   c. Monitoring of the Texas Air Control Boards implementation of the State Implementation Plan.
   d. Continuing work on a one sheet flow chart on the Clean Air Act.
5. Program Action - Keever
   a. Keever MOVED that the LWV-T budget line item T.2. Program Action be increased from $2500 to $2800 and that T.3. Coalitions be reduced from $100 to $50. The $250 budget increase would come from surplus funds in the current fiscal year budget. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

      T.2. funds were reassigned as follows:

Administration of Justice, Energy and Water @ $350 each	$1050
Two Human Resource portfolios @ $350 each	700
Government	200
Air	50
Property Tax Revision	200
Coastal Zone Management and Land Use	350
Solid Waste	000
International Relations	50
Uncommitted	200

   b. Keever proposed that to budget line item R.5. Publications be added,

4 Human Resource briefs	$500
1 Water VOTER insert	150
2 Energy briefs	150

      Clark suggested that these projects be initiated with program action funds already budgeted and that more firm cost figures be presented at the September board meeting.
6. Program Management Workshops - Keever
   Keever said that she would like to do some program management workshops. Sturgis suggested that since they are not budgeted for this year that Keever wait until the end of this fiscal year before asking the board to approve these workshops.

Adjourned at 5:30 for dinner

Reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

20. ADULT CORRECTIONS CONSENSUS QUESTIONS

Clark presented the proposed consensus questions for the Adult Corrections study. Keever MOVED the consensus questions be approved as modified. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Clark said that these questions would not go to local Leagues until after the end of the current session of the Legislature. It may be necessary to rewrite the questions concerning parole. (7-9)

CONSENSUS QUESTIONS FOR ADULT CORRECTIONS

1. Would you support or oppose an increase in state funding to TDC for:
   a) Lowering the ratio of inmates to correctional officers?
   b) Increasing the payscale of correctional officers?
   Please explain.

2. Do you support or oppose expansion of educational opportunities and/or options for TDC inmates? Please explain answer.

3. What improvements, if any, would you suggest for health care at TDC?

4. Do you think that inmates should be paid for labor? If so, how much?

5. How would you decrease crowded conditions at TDC?
   a) Build more prison units
   b) Expand parole
   c) Increase the use of probation for non-violent offenders
   d) Decriminalize some acts
   e) Combinations of several of the above
   Please explain your answers.

6. Do you see a need for new programs or expansion of current programs to assist inmates in making the transition from prison to the free world, i.e., pre-realease, work release, half-way houses, other? Who should fund and administer the transition programs that you support?

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9:00a.m. May 16 the board met in core committees. They adjourned at noon for lunch.

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9. MINUTES

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10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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Sturgis reported a LWV-T balance of $24,737 as of April 30, 1979. She estimates an uncommitted balance of $8,235 or more realistically, $6,500. Net worth estimate for the May 31, 1979 is $22,461 compared to last year's balance of $22,138.

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Clark named the following board members to serve on the Budget Committee for one year: Vanderwater, Keever, Price. Clark, Sturgis and Lanier serve ex officio. Swift suggested that one of the two off-board appointments be from a small League. Clark asked that suggestions be given to Brown.

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Clark named the following board members to serve on the Policy Committee: Carpenter, Sturgis, Bene, Keever. Members are to serve for one year.

14. NATIONAL BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Clark asked Brown, Swift, and Perrine to serve on the National Bylaws Committee for one year. State bylaws will be reviewed next year.

15. COUNCIL 1980 PLANNING COMMITTEE

Clark named the following board members to serve on the Council 1980 Planning Committee: Gordon, Lanier, Clem, Brown, and Chamblin.

16. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Clark recommended Clem and Sarles to serve on the Nominating Committee. Brown MOVED that these appointments be approved. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

17. AD HOC CONVENTION/COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Price MOVED to establish an ad-hoc committee to draw up a master plan for future conventions and councils to include procedures, guidelines, etc. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Price consented to chair the committee. Davis and Sturgis will serve also. Helen Hunter and Louise Cummins were suggested as off-board members for appointment.

18. CONVENTION EVALUATION

Brown reported that the San Antonio League received high praise and appreciation for hosting Convention '79. Of 110 evaluations received, 76% recommended weekend conventions for the future. Her written report included comments on the workshops, speakers and physical arrangements. Due to less time on weekends, the state board does need to do much careful planning and perhaps needs to eliminate some activities.

Price, Convention chair, emphasized the need for a budget guideline for councils and conventions. San Antonio cleared approximately $200.

Lanier suggested that some method for delegates to get to know state board members be considered. Clark commented that at national Council each national board member dined with assigned delegates. She was most impressed.

Sturgis explained that for this convention board member's convention expenses were itemized to board expenses instead of convention expenses. This proceuure will continue.

19. CORE REPORTS

A. Public Relation proposed plans were reported by Clem, Bene, Davis, and Price. The following were approved by general consent:

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   c. make an inventory of all publications in stock and sell at reduced prices
   d. make all copies of When You Go To Austin free and refund local Local Leagues who have already purchased copies
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   a. compile and print a handbook on how to do an election school at the local level to be available by September 1979
   b. do videotapes for public service announcements
   c. get VS/CI information to the deaf and the blind
   d. prepare a handout on why you should vote
3. VOTERS - Price
   a. feature state publications in the September VOTER
   b. prepare information for editors for a fall DPM
4. News Service and Press Releases - Clem
   a. increase press releases in order to give League greater visibility
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The pricing policy for our publications was discussed. Lanier felt that publications should be sold as inexpensively as possible to increase circulation and make finance calls easier. Clark said that cost should include distribution and seed money for future publication as well as printing costs. She asked anyone interested to meet with Bene and Lanier for further discussion of the subject.

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   a. Prepare one or more VOTER inserts on water
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that "no increased reliance on nuclear fission" meant no increased percentage of nuclear fission in the energy package, not a moratorium on nuclear energy.

8:25 Gehan left.

Brown attended the workshop on Urban Crisis and reported that the focus of the UC program action may be transportation. The LWVUS has selected two members each from thirty five Leagues to receive practical help with transportation projects. Dallas and Houston Leagues were chosen in Texas. State Leagues are not involved.

Sarah Weddington MCed the White House staff briefing on the President's energy proposals and SALT. The President spoke asking the League's support on these issues plus women's issues--particularly recommendations and appointments to federal judgeships.

8. EVALUATION OF LAST YEAR'S GOALS AND PROJECTS

The board members commented favorably on the achievements of last year's goals to assist in strengthening local Leagues and to be a more effective organization. The presidents workshops, press releases, Legislative Day and the first weekend convention were very successful. Convention '79 was the first convention with 100% local League representation. Many Leagues are using the state logo and have improved their VOTERS. A program tool on monitoring national and state program is being developed for Program Outreach. Project Outreach, a one year project to help save a local League was rejected when presented by Brown and Fumi Sugihara to the Brownsville League.

Adjourned 10:30 p.m.

9:00a.m. May 16 the board met in core committees. They adjourned at noon for lunch.

Reconvened at 1:20 p.m. May 16 for the second plenary session.

PRESENT: Bene, Brown, Carpenter, Clark, Clem, Davis, Gordon, Keever, Lanier, Perrine, Price, Sarles, Shapiro, Sturgis, Swift, associate director Wilbur and SO executive secretary Lovelace.

ABSENT: Chamblin and Gehan

9. MINUTES

Minutes of the March 29, 1979 board meeting in San Antonio were approved as published. Clark reported that we have not commended the national board for assisting as a clearing house on the tax relief issues as suggested on page 5, paragraph 2.

10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Clark read a letter from the Tarrant County League extending an invitation to the state board members to attend their Counterpart Workshop June 12, 1979 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Euless Public Library. Brown urged members to attend. Keever plans to attend.

Clark stated that she had received a copy of a letter from Ruth Hinerfeld, national president, to Judy Boulware, president of the Wichita Falls League, complimenting them on their decision to hold their annual meeting in spite of

flood disaster which did various degrees of damage to the personal property of League members as well as destroyed many League records. Houston, Tarrent County, and other Leagues plan to send money to Barbara Glickman, whose home was entirely destroyed. Lovelace reported that all members had food, clothing, and housing.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

Sturgis reported a LWV-T balance of $24,737 as of April 30, 1979. She estimates an uncommitted balance of $8,235 or more realistically, $6,500. Net worth estimate for the May 31, 1979 is $22,461 compared to last year's balance of $22,138.

12. BUDGET COMMITTEE - LWV-T and LWVTEF

Clark named the following board members to serve on the Budget Committee for one year: Vanderwater, Keever, Price. Clark, Sturgis and Lanier serve ex officio. Swift suggested that one of the two off-board appointments be from a small League. Clark asked that suggestions be given to Brown.

13. POLICY COMMITTEE - LWV-T

Clark named the following board members to serve on the Policy Committee: Carpenter, Sturgis, Bene, Keever. Members are to serve for one year.

14. NATIONAL BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Clark asked Brown, Swift, and Perrine to serve on the National Bylaws Committee for one year. State bylaws will be reviewed next year.

15. COUNCIL 1980 PLANNING COMMITTEE

Clark named the following board members to serve on the Council 1980 Planning Committee: Gordon, Lanier, Clem, Brown, and Chamblin.

16. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Clark recommended Clem and Sarles to serve on the Nominating Committee. Brown MOVED that these appointments be approved. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

17. AD HOC CONVENTION/COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Price MOVED to establish an ad-hoc committee to draw up a master plan for future conventions and councils to include procedures, guidelines, etc. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Price consented to chair the committee. Davis and Sturgis will serve also. Helen Hunter and Louise Cummins were suggested as off-board members for appointment.

18. CONVENTION EVALUATION

Brown reported that the San Antonio League received high praise and appreciation for hosting Convention '79. Of 110 evaluations received, 76% recommended weekend conventions for the future. Her written report included comments on the workshops, speakers and physical arrangements. Due to less time on weekends, the state board does need to do much careful planning and perhaps needs to eliminate some activities.

Price, Convention chair, emphasized the need for a budget guideline for councils and conventions. San Antonio cleared approximately $200.

Lanier suggested that some method for delegates to get to know state board members be considered. Clark commented that at national Council each national board member dined with assigned delegates. She was most impressed.

Sturgis explained that for this convention board member's convention expenses were itemized to board expenses instead of convention expenses. This proceuure will continue.

19. CORE REPORTS

A. Public Relation proposed plans were reported by Clem, Bene, Davis, and Price. The following were approved by general consent:

1. Publications - Bene
   a. advertize the Public Subscription Service in the Texas Monthly and the Texas Observer
   b. make the Public Service Subscription year concurrent with the LWV-T fiscal year with January '79 through May '79 being free
   c. make an inventory of all publications in stock and sell at reduced prices
   d. make all copies of When You Go To Austin free and refund local Local Leagues who have already purchased copies

2. Voter Service/ Citizen Information - Davis
   a. compile and print a handbook on how to do an election school at the local level to be available by September 1979
   b. do videotapes for public service announcements
   c. get VS/CI information to the deaf and the blind
   d. prepare a handout on why you should vote

3. VOTERS - Price
   a. feature state publications in the September VOTER
   b. prepare information for editors for a fall DPM

4. News Service and Press Releases - Clem
   a. increase press releases in order to give League greater visibility
   b. do a videotape on membership

The pricing policy for our publications was discussed. Lanier felt that publications should be sold as inexpensively as possible to increase circulation and make finance calls easier. Clark said that cost should include distribution and seed money for future publication as well as printing costs. She asked anyone interested to meet with Bene and Lanier for further discussion of the subject.

Adjourned at 3:07 pm.

Reconvened at 3:30 pm.

B. Organization proposed plans were reported by Brown and Sarles. The following were approved by general consent:

1. develop a list of professional skills that can be acquired while serving in various League portfolios
2. develop a list of trainers for leadership development
3. develop a moderator's training kit
4. adopt a pilot project of financial incentive for membership growth

Brown MOVED that the state board adopt a policy for one year only that for

every 10% increase in membership a local League achieves over it's last year's total, it will receive a 5% reduction in its per-member payment to state for the following year. SECONDED AND CARRIED. (Ten-Five, Good Buddy)

C. Program proposed plans were reported by Keever, Swift, and Perrine

1. Human Resources - Swift
   a. Divide the portfolio with Gehan. Gehan will carry welfare (including reform) food stamps, medicaid, children's issues and day care and employment. Swift will carry housing, loan programs, Section 8 and community development, revenue sharing, education and urban crisis.
   b. Prepare a series of at least 4 HR briefs
   c. Travel to local communities to observe HR programs in action
2. Water - Perrine
   a. Prepare one or more VOTER inserts on water
3. Land Use - Bobette Higgins in pre-board report
   a. Form a coastal coalition to monitor coastal agency activities and do an on-going public awareness program for coastal issues
4. Air Quality - Titus
   a. Primary effort will be with the Inspection and Maintenance Task Force of the North Central Texas Region. Titus is the co-ordinator for this task force.
   b. Monitoring of the Houston Inspection and Maintanance pilot project approved by the last Legislature (CSHB 726).
   c. Monitoring of the Texas Air Control Boards implementation of the State Implementation Plan.
   d. Continuing work on a one sheet flow chart on the Clean Air Act.
5. Program Action - Keever
   a. Keever MOVED that the LWV-T budget line item T.2. Program Action be increased from $2500 to $2800 and that T.3. Coalitions be reduced from $100 to $50. The $250 budget increase would come from surplus funds in the current fiscal year budget. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

      T.2. funds were reassigned as follows:

Administration of Justice, Energy and Water @ $350 each	$1050
Two Human Resource portfolios @ $350 each	700
Government	200
Air	50
Property Tax Revision	200
Coastal Zone Management and Land Use	350
Solid Waste	000
International Relations	50
Uncommitted	200

   b. Keever proposed that to budget line item R.5. Publications be added,

4 Human Resource briefs	$500
1 Water VOTER insert	150
2 Energy briefs	150

      Clark suggested that these projects be initiated with program action funds already budgeted and that more firm cost figures be presented at the September board meeting.

6. Program Management Workshops - Keever
   Keever said that she would like to do some program management workshops. Sturgis suggested that since they are not budgeted for this year that Keever wait until the end of this fiscal year before asking the board to approve these workshops.

Adjourned at 5:30 for dinner

Reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

20. ADULT CORRECTIONS CONSENSUS QUESTIONS

Clark presented the proposed consensus questions for the Adult Corrections study. Keever MOVED the consensus questions be approved as modified. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Clark said that these questions would not go to local Leagues until after the end of the current session of the Legislature. It may be necessary to rewrite the questions concerning parole. (7-9)

CONSENSUS QUESTIONS FOR ADULT CORRECTIONS

1. Would you support or oppose an increase in state funding to TDC for:
   a) Lowering the ratio of inmates to correctional officers?
   b) Increasing the payscale of correctional officers?
   Please explain.

2. Do you support or oppose expansion of educational opportunities and/or options for TDC inmates? Please explain answer.

3. What improvements, if any, would you suggest for health care at TDC?

4. Do you think that inmates should be paid for labor? If so, how much?

5. How would you decrease crowded conditions at TDC?
   a) Build more prison units
   b) Expand parole
   c) Increase the use of probation for non-violent offenders
   d) Decriminalize some acts
   e) Combinations of several of the above
   Please explain your answers.

6. Do you see a need for new programs or expansion of current programs to assist inmates in making the transition from prison to the free world, i.e., pre-realease, work release, half-way houses, other? Who should fund and administer the transition programs that you support?

7. What changes, if any, would you recommend for the Texas Parole system? Please explain your answers.

8. Should the Governor have veto power over parole recommendations?

9. Do you support or oppose a mandatory supervision time? If so, should there be a time limit? How long?

10. Should there be qualifications to be a member of the Board of Pardons and Paroles? If so, what should they be?

11. Do you support community based corrections for non-violent offenders? What kind? Who should administer them? How should they be funded?

19. CORE REPORTS - continued

D. Addendum to B. Organization Core Report

Brown MOVED that the 10-5 Solution (membership growth plan) be amended to include the Leagues making minumum support payment. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

22. COUNCIL 1980

Sturgis moved that Council 1980 be held in Waco, Texas. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

23. GOALS AND STRATEGIES

Sturgis MOVED that the following goals be adopted for the coming year: (1) retain and increase membership and (2) become a more powerful/effective organization. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Some possible strategies for increasing membership suggested were to implement the 10-5% financial incentive plan, to use Project Outreach, create more public service announcements, create new types of membership, write a song about the League that makes the top ten list, hold more workships, have a booth at the state fair, form more coalitions, create more rapport between local Leagues and the state board, create a celebrity spot announcement, have every local League visited by at least one state board member, and increase state board member's leadership skills. Some possible strategies to increase the effectiveness of the League suggested were to double the budget, hold more workshops, have more public service announcements, form more coalitions, have a booth at the state fair, get minority representation on the state board, increase the visibility of the state president, help local Leagues become more visible, create a float on voting to tour the state, create special recognition for contributors of over $1000 and attack voter apathy.

Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

The LWV-TEF Annual Meeting was held the morning of May 17, 1979.

Jan Wilbur left at the end of the LWV-TEF meeting. The LWV-T board meeting reconvened May 17, 1979 at 1:15 p.m.

24. CALENDAR PLANNING

The tantative state board calendar for fiscal year 1979-80 was discussed and revised. It will be distributed from the state office.

25. CONVENTION 1981

Perrine MOVED that Convention 1981 be held in Beaumont, Texas with Dallas, Texas as an alternate. The first choice of dates will be April 10-12 and second choice will April 17-19. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

26. LWV-US ENERGY ACTION RECOMMENDATION

The board members voiced objection to a LWV-US Action Alert which asked League members to support a specific tax rate of windfall profits. Shapiro MOVED that our president write a letter to the national board asking them to remain within our position on energy and not support issues on which we have no consensus. SECONDED AND CARRIED. Copies of the letter will also be sent to all state Leagues and to all Leagues in the state.

27. TEXAS ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMISSION

Perrine MOVED that Clark write a letter to Governor Clements recommending that the four citizen members to be appointed to the Texas Energy and Natural

Resources Advisory Commission represent a broad range of public interests; also that Laura Keever be recommended for appointment to this commission. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

28. LEAGUE PHONE FOR PRESIDENT

The transfer of files was discussed. Board members vacation schedules and telephone information will be mailed from the state office. Clark has a League phone in her home. The number is (214) 528-1096.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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President's Letter -- from Diana Clark

The new state board met for its first work session May 15-17 at Camp Allen near Navasota. Because there are only seven members with prior state board experience (and five of those are beginning new portfolios) much time was spent on nuts & bolts of board organization.

An important part of every League year is appointment of standing committees. Toni Clem and Martha Sarles will represent the board on the Nominating Committee. Beth Brown will chair the Bylaws Committee to review national bylaws and any proposed changes you submit for your local League. Jeanette Vanderwater of Houston was appointed budget chair for the 1980-81 budget. An ad hoc committee under treasurer Ethel Sturgis will meet before Sept. to look at all implications of local League/local board/personal liability. We will have legal assistance, insurance info. and input from the national office. In the meantime, Leagues are referred to p. 15 of the Jan. '79 Nat'l. Board Report for tips on good record keeping, a necessary component of ALL League activity. Nancy Price, the San Antonio Convention Chair was appointed chair of an ad hoc committee which is to produce written guidelines for future convention/council committees.

Evaluation sheets from this year's convention were reviewed. Aside from a few "glitches," the reports were quite favorable: Sarah Weddington & Ruth Hinerfeld were big hits with everyone. Weekend meetings were quite popular. We will be working on ways to iron out program presentation problems -- the largest source of complaints. The board accepted Waco's offer to hold Council '80; and approved of Beaumont as the site for Convention '81.

The two goals set by the state board last year "to assist in strengthening local Leagues, and to be a more effective organization," together with implementing strategies, were reviewed and evaluated (see June 1978 State Board Report.) Many of these strategies have been implemented -- Swap Shops of good ideas, graphics assistance, how to conduct a successful finance campaign, a membership flyer & slide show, advocacy papers on program legislative priorities, statewide publications ("When You Go To Austin," "Name of the Game," etc.), new ideas for program presentation and outreach in study areas. The new board reaffirmed the validity of these basic goals and began work on additional strategies. While some specific plans for help with membership retention, growth, and involvement wait to be coordinated with possible national strategies, a pilot project of financial incentive for membership growth was adopted (see Beth Brown's report).

The program department related upcoming study & action issues to calendar planning. Materials and consensus deadlines were established. You will find them in the calendar section of the Directory in this mailing. Plans are afoot also to use the Texas VOTER for more every-member program material. Managing program concerns many Leagues. Regional workshops designed to help are in the works. Definite dates will be announced by late September. Several "How to Enjoy Being a President" workshops are also in the planning stage. Definite dates will be announced.

Enclosed with this mailing is the new issue of the LWV-T Directory. We urge you to have one for every board member. It is being sent now to every LL president, DPM subscriber, and Standing Order subscriber. If you promise not to tell the state office who suggested it, you can probably still order DPM & Standing Orders for your board. At the very least, you can make life easier by Xeroxing selected pages and distributing them to the board members involved

While the new state board spent much of its first meeting on future planning, there may be a few unavoidable gaps here and there. We will have all the holes filled by our next meeting in September. Meanwhile, we pledge our best efforts to be of service and assistance to you, our constituents. All the board members join me in hoping you will call on us. We are available by phone or to visit your League at any time. Please ask. And in the meantime, enjoy being a League leader. The more fun League is, the better the League!

Carolyn Lanier
Development Director
[redacted]

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I. I.
Development & Finance

DEVELOPMENT

The state League has contracted to gather material through telephone interviews for the Academy of Contemporary Problems. A special THANK YOU goes to the San Antonio Area League, which has agreed to gather the information. The state League will make $1,800 and San Antonio will make $1,000. Because the time was short, I was not able to offer the opportunity to any other Leagues this time. Next time, I hope to allow any interested Leagues an opportunity to make some money!

I would like to build a file of the absolutely terrific and then the not-so-terrific Finance Flyers YOU are using. Will you please mail me a copy of yours?

Cooper Industries has contributed $500, and I am in the process of filling out the papers for a share for Houston. Would you look around for a possible state contributor in your town?

Things are looking good -- it is amazing how far Carole Shlipak was able to bring us in such a short time.

A second reminder -- please mail me your Finance Flyers. Many thanks.

Laura Keever
Program Vice President
[redacted]

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Program

PROGRAM

The ideas for program implementation flew fast and furiously as program directors met recently at Camp Allen to plan the coming year. We are all dedicated to making program an exciting part of League involvement -- a direct way to increase membership. We are planning publications, mostly in the form of briefs, following your many indications of support for that form of program publication at Convention. We are hopeful that at least two will be in the form of Texas VOTER inserts: look for these in the Human Resources and Natural Resources areas. We are also continuing Enviro-Notes. We will, of course, have Facts & Issues developed for our three study areas: Adult Corrections this fall; Financing State Government, & Initiative and Referendum in the spring. Please see the calendar in the Directory for exact dates. Dates for consensus have also been determined:

Adult Corrections	December 14, 1979
Initiative & Referendum	June 6, 1980
Public School Finance	October 17, 1980

And we also want to involve you in program on the state level. Many program directors will therefore be developing off- board committees so that we may share our knowledge and experiences as well as mutual concerns. We need your help and involvement in determining not only program study but program action -- the fun part of League which makes the adrenalin flow! It's how we develop commitment, and how we achieve our progrmm goals at all levels of government. We look forward to having you join us.

To this end, there is included a letter to local League presidents requesting names of those in your League that might like to serve on a program committee. Please join in -- contact your president regarding your interests, suggest names of others who might be interested. This information should be in the state office as soon as possible, and you want to be included!

I also hope to be talking with program vice presidents at least on an informal basis (if we can't work out a formal one) about program management. Usually that involves setting priorities, i.e., determining what you wish to do in program, and then DOING it! And perhaps just as important -- NOT doing some of it. I hope each of you will determine in your program planning process for the coming year which program areas you wish to emphasize and which you do not. Then stick to it. (Maintaining, of course, flexibility to change your plans if circumstances change.)

Have a happy year in Program. And let us hear from you.

Lois Carpenter (Mrs. R. Ken)
Director, Administration of Justice
[redacted]

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Program--Admin. of Justice

Administration of Justice

ADULT CORRECTIONS STUDY

1. Latest News. A fascinating and informative Facts and Issues publication on adult corrections in Texas had been researched and written by Diana Clark and Lucy Polter. It has been sent to the editor. After editing it goes to the printer--and thence to you! Lucy and Diana are also putting together a Leader's Guide on adult corrections. Besides additional information for your resource committees, it will contain a guide for consensus and a bibliography. Eleven (yes, 11) consensus questions dealing with the Texas Department of Corrections, community-based corrections, and parole were approved during the May state board meeting.

2. Schedule. Present plans are to send the F & I, the Leaders Guide, and the consensus questions in a local League presidents mailing on July 13. It is still possible the Legislature may act on proposed parole legislation during the last days of the session. Should that happen, some last-minute revision of the material to be printed, as well as the consensus questions, would be necessary. There could also be some unexpected delay with editing or printing; so if you do not receive these items exactly on schedule, don't panic. If the delay should be more than 2 weeks, I will let you know what is happening. The consensus deadline set last fall remains in effect--Friday, December 14, 1979.

3. Suggestions for Getting Started. Line up your resource committee. This is a BIG study, and you'll need help. Plan your calendar. You will really need at least two meetings to cover this material and take consensus. Where possible a general meeting and two unit meetings would be better.

Now, about resources . . .

a. Review the Admin. of Justice page in the January, 1979 state board report for a list of TDC films and speakers and interview suggestions. That page also tells how to arrange a tour of TDC (at least 6 weeks to 2 months in advance, about 20 people, contact the Public Affairs Office, [redacted].

b. For general information, and especially for new chairs and committee members, review the first two LWV-T Facts and Issues on the adult justice system. The Criminal Justice System in Texas: Enforcement and Prosecution, 1975, and The Criminal Justice System in Texas: Courts, Trials, and Sentencing, 1976, and the Leaders Guide materials for them.

c. An informative article, "Hard Time," on TDC's maximum security prison, the Ellis Unit, appeared in the December, 1978 issue of Texas Monthly. Check also in the January, 1979 issue the "Behind the Lines" editorial.

d. For summertime book-learnin', search your local library (or shell out $15) for Criminal Violence, Criminal Justice by Charles E. Silberman, published by Random House. Newsweek said this is "one of the most thorough and provocative studies ever made of crime in America."

A. J. LEGISLATION

At some point after the dust settles from the 66th Legislature, I'll see that you're brought up-to-date on justice legislation. Meanwhile, check reports in the LWV-T "Legislative Newsletter." The wrap-up issue will come to the local Leagues in June.

COMMUNICATION

Please get in touch with me about your questions or problems or any information you can contribute. If any of you have made arrangements for TDC tours, please let me know if you have room for any extra "tourists." I would like to join a tour, and there may be others who could not get together the 10 to 30 people required for a tour, who would also like to participate. From July 28 to August 24, I expect to be on vacation, but please do not hesitate to contact me there: [redacted] Area Code [redacted] (It's a party line, so be patient!)

EXCELSIOR!

Judy Swift
Human Resources Director
[redacted]

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II. A. 2.
Human Resources

HUMAN RESOURCES

Greetings to all HR portfolio holders! See how indispensable Jan Coggeshall is. This year there will be not one but two of us covering the HR waterfront, and we have divided the portfolios between us:

Brenda Gehan (her report follows) will be the resident expert in
- Welfare (including reform)
- Food Stamps
- Medicaid
- Children's issues and daycare
- Employment

I will be wrestling with
- Housing (including fair housing)
- Loan programs
- Section 8 and community development
- Revenue sharing
- Education
- Urban Crisis.

Any questions should be directed accordingly. Any suggestions, complaints, or compliments can be channeled either way.

PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS:
Two good monitoring instruments have come to our attention: one for CETA and one for CD. If you're interested in looking into either or both of these programs in your community, these provide concrete steps for doing so. The CD monitoring instrument is particularly helpful.

There's been no word yet from national about the focus of the Urban Crisis study for this coming year. We will let you know as soon as we hear. Meanwhile, Dallas and Houston have been asked to participate in the June Urban Crisis training conference in Washington, D.C. Thirty-three other Leagues across the country have also been asked. As well as helping these Leagues plan a grant for use in their communities, the conference will present a sort of "Tale of Three Cities" featuring St. Louis, Baltimore, and Houston.

NEWSLETTERS
With the start of League's new year, we are reissuing Jan's compilation of newsletters with HR info you can receive on a regular basis. Some are free.

THE EOD WEEKLY NEWS, (free), a weekly publication of the Texas Dept. of Community Affairs, [redacted].

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS NEWS, a non-partisan monthly summary-type educational publication, published by Texas United Community Services. Members receive this and other publications. Individual (not organization) membership is $7.00 payable to the Texas United Community Services, Inc., [redacted].

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FRAC, a free newsletter of the Food Research and Action Center, [redacted]. This newsletter includes articles on lots more than food.

SOCIOECONOMIC NEWSLETTER, (free), published monthly by the Institute for Socioeconomic Studies, [redacted].

FOCUS, (free), is a monthly newsletter of the Joint Center for Political Studies, [redacted]. This newsletter provides information on the nation's black & minority aspirations in the political process.

CONSUMER NEWSLETTER. Write to HUD, [redacted], Consumer Newsletter (free) if you are interested in the following:
This newsletter is one on Energy and has a number of nifty ideas for people interested in energy conservation ideas at the neighborhood and consumer level. It refers to lots of publications, where to order, and lists 18 organizations plus their energy projects.

JAN'S HINTS: Make sure someone in your League really wants to read these before subscribing.
Make a file folder for each different publication and slip issues in front chronologically.
Copy/cut material immediately for your local VOTER and identify source.
Once a year, throw out anything over six months old.
If you change HR chairs, write and have subscriptions changed immediately.

Brenda Gehan
Human Resources Director
[redacted]

HR (cont.)

As a way of updating local Leagues on human resource programs here in Texas this year (and educating ourselves) we 'Bobbsey Twins' plan to prepare a series of at least four HR Briefs. One will be sent as a Texas VOTER insert to all state LWV members. Possible topics include Texas Department of Human Resources; Texas Education Agency; Food Stamps in Texas; Public Assistance Programs for Texas Families (AFDC, etc.); Community Development monitoring in Texas; Housing Assistance Available in Texas. Any other suggestions? Anyone out there like to help us?

We expect to send out a survey during the summer to local League HR chairs to help us identify HR needs and interests. In the meantime, though, if you have any particular ideas for projects where the state League can be of help, please let us hear from you.

We also hope to send a report in the fall on the effects of new legislation on HR programs in the state.

On May 23 & 24 I attended a Texas Food Stamp Advisory Committee meeting in Austin as a stand-in for Betty Stevens who has attended previous meetings. The Food Stamp program in Texas is in trouble at the moment because of inadequate funding and

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horrendous computer foul-ups. The LWV-T public service TV slide is one of the few ways the public can be informed about the program. It has been estimated that an additional 1.4 million people in Texas are eligible for food stamp benefits. Reaching these people, overcoming the stigma attached to public assistance in Texas, and streamlining the certification process are some of the concerns of the DHR and the advisory committee. The Department faces the additional dilemma of trying to involve new families in the program at a time when it is unable to meet deadlines for the families already enrolled in the program. Local Leagues may wish to become better informed and more involved in their community's food stamp program or plan a meeting this year dealing with the food stamp program. Relative to this: A Food Stamp Conference is planned for August 29-30 in Austin, Details available so far are that it is open to persons from the five-state region; will include speakers from the national and state levels; and is being co-sponsored by the Community Nutrition Institute, Texas Dept. of Human Resources and the LBJ School. More later. Also, there is a good article on food stamps in the May 11 issue of "Texas Observer."

We've gotten good reports on the slide show: "Poverty: A Test for Texans." Keep it in mind when doing your calendar planning.

HUD has launched a million-dollar Women and Credit Project designed to facilitate the entry of women into the housing and credit market. LWVEF has received a grant to participate and local Leagues wishing to become involved should contact Bea Shields at the national LWV office [redacted]. The Austin League has already expressed interest in the program.

Meg Titus
Air Associate Director
[redacted]

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Air

AIR QUALITY

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Beth Brown
Organization Vice President, Field Service
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Thus, a one-hundred-member League which reports a gain of ten or more on Jan. 1, 1980 will receive a reduction of 5% from the $7.50 per-member assessment the following year. Instead of owing $825 to state, it will owe $783.75. This may not be much, but it turns the corner from penalty to reward and it will behoove a League to retain as many members as possible in order to achieve the 10% gain.

The policy applies to all recognized local Leagues including the six that are paying the $250 minimum assessment. It deals only in 10% increments, so that a 15% gain will result in the 5% reduction, while a 20% gain would result in a 10% reduction. In figuring percentages we will not deal in fractions. 10% of 25 will be seen as 2, not 2.5; 10% of 16 will also be seen as 2, not 1.6; 10% of 43 will be seen as 4, etc.

The policy has been adopted for one year and we will evaluate its effectiveness next summer. A gain in statewide membership will benefit all Leagues since the cost per member decreases as our ranks swell. This new incentive method is designed to actualize that fact at the local League level.

The LWV of New Jersey has already implemented a similar system and we are indebted to them for the idea.

FIELD SERVICE: A reminder -- Please be sure that the members of the new state board and your Field Service Representative receive your monthly bulletin. And remember that the Field Service Rep. should also receive your minutes each month. She wishes to assist you in every way possible and in order to do so, needs to "know the territory."

Toni Clem
Public Relations Vice President
[redacted]

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Public Relations

PR

I am fervently hoping this baby will come on or before July 7, so I can get things squared away enough to attack the work piling up on my desk. I am at present suffering from terminal *ennui*. . . .

We had a marvelous board workshop at Navasota. The PR group is new, as you know (and I'm not exactly a "board oldie"), so we'll be needing to hear from you . . . what you need, what you want, what you can use, and what you can't use . . . it's even nice every now and then to know what makes you happy as well as what makes you unhappy. We discussed a lot of exciting projects for 1979-80, some of which are going to require specific funding . . . and, according to Carolyn Lanier, there is money available for anything -- it's just a matter of going after it.

One of the specific things we are planning to go after is increased recognition of the League's statewide image as a positive, aggressive, responsible voice in public affairs. We're planning to look into video spots for statewide release instead of slides. The slides from last year should still be on file at local stations, and perhaps all it would take to shake them out of the file and on public service air time would be a call from your PR VP. By the way, incorporating the use of the LWV state logo into Voters, local League stationery, etc. contributes greatly to this effort toward establishing an image ... . like the Playboy bunny . . . (not a particularly apt analogy in this instance) I want people in Texas to be able to just see that logo and know it means "The League of Women Voters."

happy summer

Jeanette Davis
VS/CI Director
[redacted]

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VOTERS SERVICE/CITIZEN INFORMATION

Rather than say how honored, but filled with trepidation, I am to have been appointed to this position, I will say other more pertinent things about VS/CI.

I can't wait to meet you all and hopefully I will during the next two years at workshops, meetings, conventions, wherever. Meanwhile, I reside in Abilene (longitude 99° 45' West/latitude 32° 30' North). Write, or call if it can't wait for the mail, if I can be of help and/or to offer suggestions as to what you want me to do on your behalf. Should you phone, it is advisable to not leave messages with son Will. He's six and tends to confuse things. Proceed at your own risk with husband Bill -- he's 43 and tends to confuse things.

Over the summer I plan to put together an Election School Handbook that tells all! You should have it by fall and might consider adding an "E. School" to your VS/CI calendar for next year. As you map plans for this year do continue them through the 1980 general election for continuity. Remember the VS/CI Handbook is red -- so be aggressive!

* Register voters forever -- How?
  --registration cards to realtors, Welcome Wagons, Chambers of Commerce, newcomers' clubs, etc.;
  --High Schools next spring. How fun to be able to cast your first vote for the President. Remember, voting is "For Adults Only"!
  --Registration Drives; the yield is greater during E. years.

* Get Out the Vote -- How?
  --provide checkers in grocery stores ribbons which read "VOTE TODAY," and get them back to use again;
  --send letters to civic/social clubs urging them to remind members to vote;
  --ask banks to run "VOTE TODAY" on their computerized moving signs. Banks do own them all, don't they?
  --ask merchants with stationary signs to do the same;
  --get a billboard donated.

* Citizen Information -- How?
  --Voters Guides;
  --telephone hotline on all E. days;
  --candidates' forums (whatever fashion suits your area);
  --"Informanights" to clarify issues;
  --add "How to Pick a Candidate" (order from national) to the Speakers Bureau;
  --copy Lubbock's 'Bandwagon'.

More later . . .

Nancy Bene
Publications Director
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Publications

Board Training Materials
This is the time of year for training new boards. Check the national and state pub catalogs for new/additional tools. There is no doubt that everything you'd ever want to know about any League job is written in one of those pubs.

SALE - "Mini-Guide for League Leaders"
The bright yellow "Mini Guide for League Leaders" is now sale priced at a low $2 each: (Previously $3). At Convention each LL president received a sample copy of this succinct humorous guide to the nuts and bolts of League leadership. Look it over, then send your orders in so we can get them to you as soon as possible.

Public Subscription Service - Second Chance
PSS is on the League fiscal year as of June 1. That means: 1) all you lucky Leagues who purchased PSS for libraries, colleges, etc., will get 6 months (2 mailings) without cost. 2) all local Leagues and interested citizens now have the opportunity to subscribe now for an entire year at the low cost of $15 plus .75¢ tax - that's 4 big mailings of the latest, best League (including national) pubs available. It's a terrific way to get this high interest work to the public. Get those orders to us as soon as possible and let your members, schools, libraries know that PSS is available now! Look for ads in the classified sections of the Texas Observer and Texas Monthly in July or August.

Coming Soon
A new brochure on the Open Meetings/Open Records laws called "Let the Sunshine In" will be in your mailbox soon. This newest pub is designed for League people, neighborhood groups or any interested citizen and will be available at the low, low cost of 5¢ each (regular discounts apply. See publications catalog). Good PR, good information.

In Conclusion
Please let me know any suggestions, criticisms and brilliant ideas that you have for publications, sales, promotion, tec. In order for me to do a good job for you, I need to know what you think.

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President's Letter -- from Diana Clark

The new state board met for its first work session May 15-17 at Camp Allen near Navasota. Because there are only seven members with prior state board experience (and five of those are beginning new portfolios) much time was spent on nuts & bolts of board organization.

An important part of every League year is appointment of standing committees. Toni Clem and Martha Sarles will represent the board on the Nominating Committee. Beth Brown will chair the Bylaws Committee to review national bylaws and any proposed changes you submit for your local League. Jeanette Vanderwater of Houston was appointed budget chair for the 1980-81 budget. An ad hoc committee under treasurer Ethel Sturgis will meet before Sept. to look at all implications of local League/local board/personal liability. We will have legal assistance, insurance info. and input from the national office. In the meantime, Leagues are referred to p. 15 of the Jan. '79 Nat'l. Board Report for tips on good record keeping, a necessary component of ALL League activity. Nancy Price, the San Antonio Convention Chair was appointed chair of an ad hoc committee which is to produce written guidelines for future convention/council committees.

Evaluation sheets from this year's convention were reviewed. Aside from a few "glitches," the reports were quite favorable: Sarah Weddington & Ruth Hinerfeld were big hits with everyone. Weekend meetings were quite popular. We will be working on ways to iron out program presentation problems -- the largest source of complaints. The board accepted Waco's offer to hold Council '80; and approved of Beaumont as the site for Convention '81.

The two goals set by the state board last year "to assist in strengthening local Leagues, and to be a more effective organization," together with implementing strategies, were reviewed and evaluated (see June 1978 State Board Report.) Many of these strategies have been implemented -- Swap Shops of good ideas, graphics assistance, how to conduct a successful finance campaign, a membership flyer & slide show, advocacy papers on program legislative priorities, statewide publications ("When You Go To Austin," "Name of the Game," etc.), new ideas for program presentation and outreach in study areas. The new board reaffirmed the validity of these basic goals and began work on additional strategies. While some specific plans for help with membership retention, growth, and involvement wait to be coordinated with possible national strategies, a pilot project of financial incentive for membership growth was adopted (see Beth Brown's report).

The program department related upcoming study & action issues to calendar planning. Materials and consensus deadlines were established. You will find them in the calendar section of the Directory in this mailing. Plans are afoot also to use the Texas VOTER for more every-member program material. Managing program concerns many Leagues. Regional workshops designed to help are in the works. Definite dates will be announced by late September. Several "How to Enjoy Being a President" workshops are also in the planning stage. Definite dates will be announced.

Enclosed with this mailing is the new issue of the LWV-T Directory. We urge you to have one for every board member. It is being sent now to every LL president, DPM subscriber, and Standing Order subscriber. If you promise not to tell the state office who suggested it, you can probably still order DPM & Standing Orders for your board. At the very least, you can make life easier by Xeroxing selected pages and distributing them to the board members involved

While the new state board spent much of its first meeting on future planning, there may be a few unavoidable gaps here and there. We will have all the holes filled by our next meeting in September. Meanwhile, we pledge our best efforts to be of service and assistance to you, our constituents. All the board members join me in hoping you will call on us. We are available by phone or to visit your League at any time. Please ask. And in the meantime, enjoy being a League leader. The more fun League is, the better the League!

Carolyn Lanier
Development Director
[redacted]

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Development & Finance

DEVELOPMENT

The state League has contracted to gather material through telephone interviews for the Academy of Contemporary Problems. A special THANK YOU goes to the San Antonio Area League, which has agreed to gather the information. The state League will make $1,800 and San Antonio will make $1,000. Because the time was short, I was not able to offer the opportunity to any other Leagues this time. Next time, I hope to allow any interested Leagues an opportunity to make some money!

I would like to build a file of the absolutely terrific and then the not-so-terrific Finance Flyers YOU are using. Will you please mail me a copy of yours?

Cooper Industries has contributed $500, and I am in the process of filling out the papers for a share for Houston. Would you look around for a possible state contributor in your town?

Things are looking good -- it is amazing how far Carole Shlipak was able to bring us in such a short time.

A second reminder -- please mail me your Finance Flyers. Many thanks.

Laura Keever
Program Vice President
[redacted]

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Program

PROGRAM

The ideas for program implementation flew fast and furiously as program directors met recently at Camp Allen to plan the coming year. We are all dedicated to making program an exciting part of League involvement -- a direct way to increase membership. We are planning publications, mostly in the form of briefs, following your many indications of support for that form of program publication at Convention. We are hopeful that at least two will be in the form of Texas VOTER inserts: look for these in the Human Resources and Natural Resources areas. We are also continuing Enviro-Notes. We will, of course, have Facts & Issues developed for our three study areas: Adult Corrections this fall; Financing State Government, & Initiative and Referendum in the spring. Please see the calendar in the Directory for exact dates. Dates for consensus have also been determined:

Adult Corrections	December 14, 1979
Initiative & Referendum	June 6, 1980
Public School Finance	October 17, 1980

And we also want to involve you in program on the state level. Many program directors will therefore be developing off- board committees so that we may share our knowledge and experiences as well as mutual concerns. We need your help and involvement in determining not only program study but program action -- the fun part of League which makes the adrenalin flow! It's how we develop commitment, and how we achieve our progrmm goals at all levels of government. We look forward to having you join us.

To this end, there is included a letter to local League presidents requesting names of those in your League that might like to serve on a program committee. Please join in -- contact your president regarding your interests, suggest names of others who might be interested. This information should be in the state office as soon as possible, and you want to be included!

I also hope to be talking with program vice presidents at least on an informal basis (if we can't work out a formal one) about program management. Usually that involves setting priorities, i.e., determining what you wish to do in program, and then DOING it! And perhaps just as important -- NOT doing some of it. I hope each of you will determine in your program planning process for the coming year which program areas you wish to emphasize and which you do not. Then stick to it. (Maintaining, of course, flexibility to change your plans if circumstances change.)

Have a happy year in Program. And let us hear from you.

Lois Carpenter (Mrs. R. Ken)
Director, Administration of Justice
[redacted]

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Administration of Justice

ADULT CORRECTIONS STUDY

1. Latest News. A fascinating and informative Facts and Issues publication on adult corrections in Texas had been researched and written by Diana Clark and Lucy Polter. It has been sent to the editor. After editing it goes to the printer--and thence to you! Lucy and Diana are also putting together a Leader's Guide on adult corrections. Besides additional information for your resource committees, it will contain a guide for consensus and a bibliography. Eleven (yes, 11) consensus questions dealing with the Texas Department of Corrections, community-based corrections, and parole were approved during the May state board meeting.

2. Schedule. Present plans are to send the F & I, the Leaders Guide, and the consensus questions in a local League presidents mailing on July 13. It is still possible the Legislature may act on proposed parole legislation during the last days of the session. Should that happen, some last-minute revision of the material to be printed, as well as the consensus questions, would be necessary. There could also be some unexpected delay with editing or printing; so if you do not receive these items exactly on schedule, don't panic. If the delay should be more than 2 weeks, I will let you know what is happening. The consensus deadline set last fall remains in effect--Friday, December 14, 1979.

3. Suggestions for Getting Started. Line up your resource committee. This is a BIG study, and you'll need help. Plan your calendar. You will really need at least two meetings to cover this material and take consensus. Where possible a general meeting and two unit meetings would be better.

Now, about resources . . .

a. Review the Admin. of Justice page in the January, 1979 state board report for a list of TDC films and speakers and interview suggestions. That page also tells how to arrange a tour of TDC (at least 6 weeks to 2 months in advance, about 20 people, contact the Public Affairs Office, [redacted]).

b. For general information, and especially for new chairs and committee members, review the first two LWV-T Facts and Issues on the adult justice system. The Criminal Justice System in Texas: Enforcement and Prosecution, 1975, and The Criminal Justice System in Texas: Courts, Trials, and Sentencing, 1976, and the Leaders Guide materials for them.

c. An informative article, "Hard Time," on TDC's maximum security prison, the Ellis Unit, appeared in the December, 1978 issue of Texas Monthly. Check also in the January, 1979 issue the "Behind the Lines" editorial.

d. For summertime book-learnin', search your local library (or shell out $15) for Criminal Violence, Criminal Justice by Charles E. Silberman, published by Random House. Newsweek said this is "one of the most thorough and provocative studies ever made of crime in America."

A. J. LEGISLATION

At some point after the dust settles from the 66th Legislature, I'll see that you're brought up-to-date on justice legislation. Meanwhile, check reports in the LWV-T "Legislative Newsletter." The wrap-up issue will come to the local Leagues in June.

COMMUNICATION

Please get in touch with me about your questions or problems or any information you can contribute. If any of you have made arrangements for TDC tours, please let me know if you have room for any extra "tourists." I would like to join a tour, and there may be others who could not get together the 10 to 30 people required for a tour, who would also like to participate. From July 28 to August 24, I expect to be on vacation, but please do not hesitate to contact me there: Route #1, Bayfield, CO 81122, Area Code 303, 884-9722. (It's a party line, so be patient!)

EXCELSIOR!

Judy Swift
Human Resources Director
[redacted]

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Human Resources

HUMAN RESOURCES

Greetings to all HR portfolio holders! See how indispensable Jan Coggeshall is. This year there will be not one but two of us covering the HR waterfront, and we have divided the portfolios between us:

Brenda Gehan (her report follows) will be the resident expert in
- Welfare (including reform)
- Food Stamps
- Medicaid
- Children's issues and daycare
- Employment

I will be wrestling with
- Housing (including fair housing)
- Loan programs
- Section 8 and community development
- Revenue sharing
- Education
- Urban Crisis.

Any questions should be directed accordingly. Any suggestions, complaints, or compliments can be channeled either way.

PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS:

Two good monitoring instruments have come to our attention: one for CETA and one for CD. If you're interested in looking into either or both of these programs in your community, these provide concrete steps for doing so. The CD monitoring instrument is particularly helpful.

There's been no word yet from national about the focus of the Urban Crisis study for this coming year. We will let you know as soon as we hear. Meanwhile, Dallas and Houston have been asked to participate in the June Urban Crisis training conference in Washington, D.C. Thirty-three other Leagues across the country have also been asked. As well as helping these Leagues plan a grant for use in their communities, the conference will present a sort of "Tale of Three Cities" featuring St. Louis, Baltimore, and Houston.

NEWSLETTERS

With the start of League's new year, we are reissuing Jan's compilation of newsletters with HR info you can receive on a regular basis. Some are free.

THE EOD WEEKLY NEWS, (free), a weekly publication of the Texas Dept. of Community Affairs, [redacted].

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS NEWS, a non-partisan monthly summary-type educational publication, published by Texas United Community Services. Members receive this and other publications. Individual (not organization) membership is $7.00 payable to the Texas United Community Services, Inc., [redacted].

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FRAC, a free newsletter of the Food Research and Action Center, [redacted]. This newsletter includes articles on lots more than food.

SOCIOECONOMIC NEWSLETTER, (free), published monthly by the Institute for Socioeconomic Studies, [redacted].

FOCUS, (free), is a monthly newsletter of the Joint Center for Political Studies, [redacted]. This newsletter provides information on the nation's black & minority aspirations in the political process.

CONSUMER NEWSLETTER. Write to HUD, [redacted] and ask for NVACP #14, Consumer Newsletter (free) if you are interested in the following:
This newsletter is one on Energy and has a number of nifty ideas for people interested in energy conservation ideas at the neighborhood and consumer level. It refers to lots of publications, where to order, and lists 18 organizations plus their energy projects.

JAN'S HINTS: Make sure someone in your League really wants to read these before subscribing.
Make a file folder for each different publication and slip issues in front chronologically.
Copy/cut material immediately for your local VOTER and identify source.
Once a year, throw out anything over six months old.
If you change HR chairs, write and have subscriptions changed immediately.

Brenda Gehan
Human Resources Director
[redacted]

HR (cont.)

As a way of updating local Leagues on human resource programs here in Texas this year (and educating ourselves) we 'Bobbsey Twins' plan to prepare a series of at least four HR Briefs. One will be sent as a Texas VOTER insert to all state LWV members. Possible topics include Texas Department of Human Resources; Texas Education Agency; Food Stamps in Texas; Public Assistance Programs for Texas Families (AFDC, etc.); Community Development monitoring in Texas; Housing Assistance Available in Texas. Any other suggestions? Anyone out there like to help us?

We expect to send out a survey during the summer to local League HR chairs to help us identify HR needs and interests. In the meantime, though, if you have any particular ideas for projects where the state League can be of help, please let us hear from you.

We also hope to send a report in the fall on the effects of new legislation on HR programs in the state.

On May 23 & 24 I attended a Texas Food Stamp Advisory Committee meeting in Austin as a stand-in for Betty Stevens who has attended previous meetings. The Food Stamp program in Texas is in trouble at the moment because of inadequate funding and

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horrendous computer foul-ups. The LWV-T public service TV slide is one of the few ways the public can be informed about the program. It has been estimated that an additional 1.4 million people in Texas are eligible for food stamp benefits. Reaching these people, overcoming the stigma attached to public assistance in Texas, and streamlining the certification process are some of the concerns of the DHR and the advisory committee. The Department faces the additional dilemma of trying to involve new families in the program at a time when it is unable to meet deadlines for the families already enrolled in the program. Local Leagues may wish to become better informed and more involved in their community's food stamp program or plan a meeting this year dealing with the food stamp program. Relative to this: A Food Stamp Conference is planned for August 29-30 in Austin, Details available so far are that it is open to persons from the five-state region; will include speakers from the national and state levels; and is being co-sponsored by the Community Nutrition Institute, Texas Dept. of Human Resources and the LBJ School. More later. Also, there is a good article on food stamps in the May 11 issue of "Texas Observer."

We've gotten good reports on the slide show: "Poverty: A Test for Texans." Keep it in mind when doing your calendar planning.

HUD has launched a million-dollar Women and Credit Project designed to facilitate the entry of women into the housing and credit market. LWVEF has received a grant to participate and local Leagues wishing to become involved should contact Bea Shields at the national LWV office [redacted] The Austin League has already expressed interest in the program.

Meg Titus
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system and the principle is very simple:

> FOR EVERY 10% INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP A LEAGUE ACHIEVES OVER ITS LAST YEAR'S TOTAL, IT WILL RECEIVE A 5% REDUCTION IN ITS PMP TO STATE FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

Thus, a one-hundred-member League which reports a gain of ten or more on Jan. 1, 1980 will receive a reduction of 5% from the $7.50 per-member assessment the following year. Instead of owing $825 to state, it will owe $783.75. This may not be much, but it turns the corner from penalty to reward and it will behoove a League to retain as many members as possible in order to achieve the 10% gain.

The policy applies to all recognized local Leagues including the six that are paying the $250 minimum assessment. It deals only in 10% increments, so that a 15% gain will result in the 5% reduction, while a 20% gain would result in a 10% reduction. In figuring percentages we will not deal in fractions. 10% of 25 will be seen as 2, not 2.5; 10% of 16 will also be seen as 2, not 1.6; 10% of 43 will be seen as 4, etc.

The policy has been adopted for one year and we will evaluate its effectiveness next summer. A gain in statewide membership will benefit all Leagues since the cost per member decreases as our ranks swell. This new incentive method is designed to actualize that fact at the local League level.

The LWV of New Jersey has already implemented a similar system and we are indebted to them for the idea.

FIELD SERVICE: A reminder -- Please be sure that the members of the new state board and your Field Service Representative receive your monthly bulletin. And remember that the Field Service Rep. should also receive your minutes each month. She wishes to assist you in every way possible and in order to do so, needs to "know the territory."

Toni Clem
Public Relations Vice President
[redacted]

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Public Relations

PR

I am fervently hoping this baby will come on or before July 7, so I can get things squared away enough to attack the work piling up on my desk. I am at present suffering from terminal *ennui*. . . .

We had a marvelous board workshop at Navasota. The PR group is new, as you know (and I'm not exactly a "board oldie"), so we'll be needing to hear from you . . . what you need, what you want, what you can use, and what you can't use . . . it's even nice every now and then to know what makes you happy as well as what makes you unhappy. We discussed a lot of exciting projects for 1979-80, some of which are going to require specific funding . . . and, according to Carolyn Lanier, there is money available for anything -- it's just a matter of going after it.

One of the specific things we are planning to go after is increased recognition of the League's statewide image as a positive, aggressive, responsible voice in public affairs. We're planning to look into video spots for statewide release instead of slides. The slides from last year should still be on file at local stations, and perhaps all it would take to shake them out of the file and on public service air time would be a call from your PR VP. By the way, incorporating the use of the LWV state logo into Voters, local League stationery, etc. contributes greatly to this effort toward establishing an image ... . like the Playboy bunny . . . (not a particularly apt analogy in this instance) I want people in Texas to be able to just see that logo and know it means "The League of Women Voters."

happy summer

Jeanette Davis
VS/CI Director
[redacted]

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III.
Voters Service/ Citizen Info.

VOTERS SERVICE/CITIZEN INFORMATION

Rather than say how honored, but filled with trepidation, I am to have been appointed to this position, I will say other more pertinent things about VS/CI.

I can't wait to meet you all and hopefully I will during the next two years at workshops, meetings, conventions, wherever. Meanwhile, I reside in Abilene (longitude 99° 45' West/latitude 32° 30' North). Write, or call if it can't wait for the mail, if I can be of help and/or to offer suggestions as to what you want me to do on your behalf. Should you phone, it is advisable to not leave messages with son Will. He's six and tends to confuse things. Proceed at your own risk with husband Bill -- he's 43 and tends to confuse things.

Over the summer I plan to put together an Election School Handbook that tells all! You should have it by fall and might consider adding an "E. School" to your VS/CI calendar for next year. As you map plans for this year do continue them through the 1980 general election for continuity. Remember the VS/CI Handbook is red -- so be aggressive!

* Register voters forever -- How?
  --registration cards to realtors, Welcome Wagons, Chambers of Commerce, newcomers' clubs, etc.;
  --High Schools next spring. How fun to be able to cast your first vote for the President. Remember, voting is "For Adults Only"!
  --Registration Drives; the yield is greater during E. years.

* Get Out the Vote -- How?
  --provide checkers in grocery stores ribbons which read "VOTE TODAY," and get them back to use again;
  --send letters to civic/social clubs urging them to remind members to vote;
  --ask banks to run "VOTE TODAY" on their computerized moving signs. Banks do own them all, don't they?
  --ask merchants with stationary signs to do the same;
  --get a billboard donated.

* Citizen Information -- How?
  --Voters Guides;
  --telephone hotline on all E. days;
  --candidates' forums (whatever fashion suits your area);
  --"Informanights" to clarify issues;
  --add "How to Pick a Candidate" (order from national) to the Speakers Bureau;
  --copy Lubbock's 'Bandwagon'.

More later . . .

Nancy Bene
Publications Director
[redacted]

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I. R.
Publications

Board Training Materials

This is the time of year for training new boards. Check the national and state pub catalogs for new/additional tools. There is no doubt that everything you'd ever want to know about any League job is written in one of those pubs.

SALE - "Mini-Guide for League Leaders"

The bright yellow "Mini Guide for League Leaders" is now sale priced at a low $2 each: (Previously $3). At Convention each LL president received a sample copy of this succinct humorous guide to the nuts and bolts of League leadership. Look it over, then send your orders in so we can get them to you as soon as possible.

Public Subscription Service - Second Chance

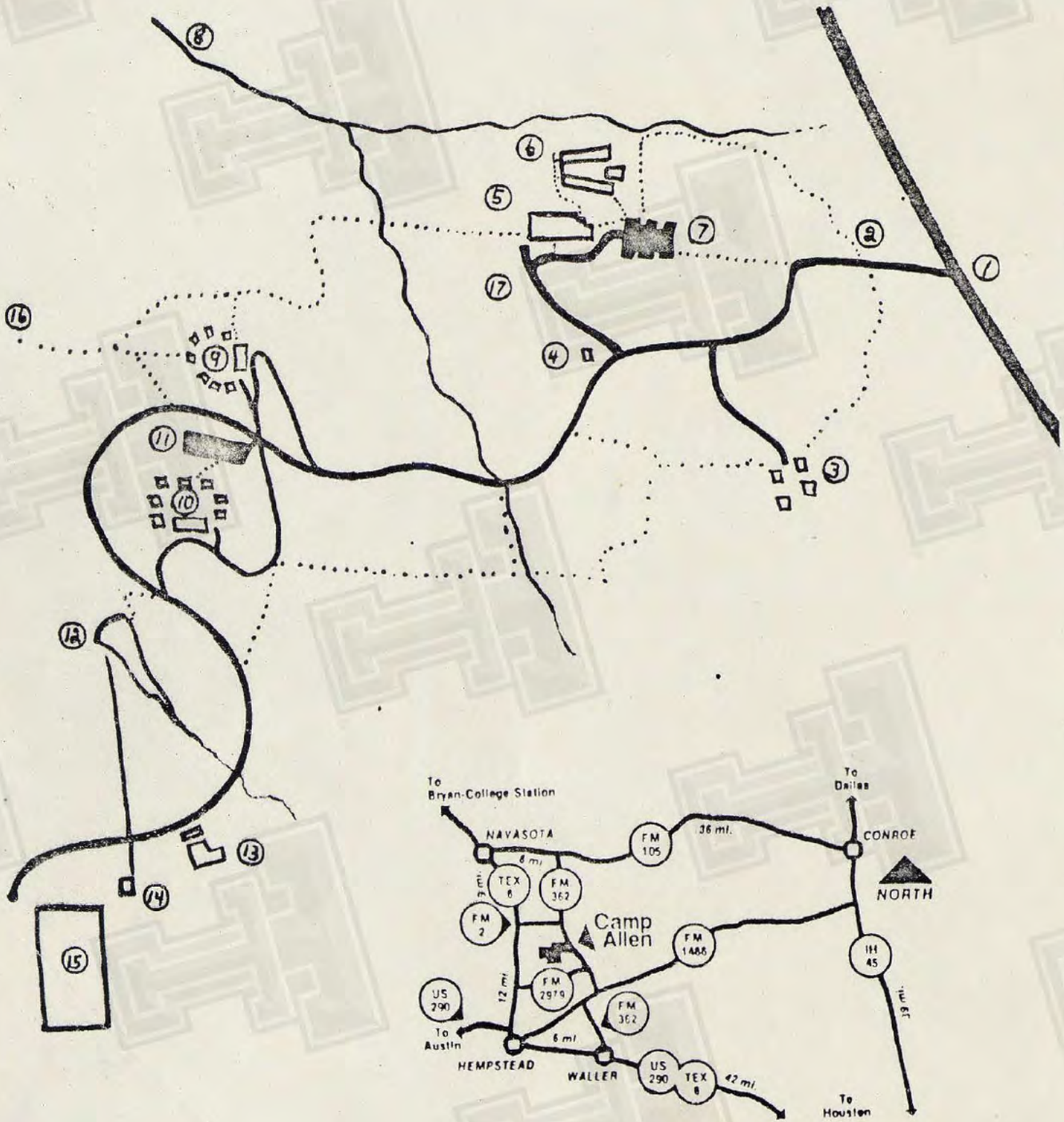
PSS is on the League fiscal year as of June 1. That means: 1) all you lucky Leagues who purchased PSS for libraries, colleges, etc., will get 6 months (2 mailings) without cost. 2) all local Leagues and interested citizens now have the opportunity to subscribe now for an entire year at the low cost of $15 plus .75¢ tax - that's 4 big mailings of the latest, best League (including national) pubs available. It's a terrific way to get this high interest work to the public. Get those orders to us as soon as possible and let your members, schools, libraries know that PSS is available now! Look for ads in the classified sections of the Texas Observer and Texas Monthly in July or August.

Coming Soon

A new brochure on the Open Meetings/Open Records laws called "Let the Sunshine In" will be in your mailbox soon. This newest pub is designed for League people, neighborhood groups or any interested citizen and will be available at the low, low cost of 5¢ each (regular discounts apply. See publications catalog). Good PR, good information.

In Conclusion

Please let me know any suggestions, criticisms and brilliant ideas that you have for publications, sales, promotion, tec. In order for me to do a good job for you, I need to know what you think.



1. Main Entrance to Camp Allen off FM 362.
2. Trails are indicated by.....
3. Maintenance yard, shop, and Maintenance supervisor's res.
4. The Rector's home.
5. Camp Allen Center and administrative offices.
6. Motel-type housing and 40' pool - 32 room - cap. 96.
7. Parking lot.
8. Creek.
9. Campsite #1 - capacity 65
10. Campsite #2 - capacity 65.
11. Parking lot.
12. Lake and picnic grounds.
13. 50 meter olympic pool and bathhouse.
14. Lodge - capacity 26.
15. Athletic field.
16. To wilderness campsites.
17. Site of future chapel.

Camp Allen
Rt. 1, Box 146
Navasota, Tx. 77868
(713) 825-7175

State Board Meeting & Retreat
May 15, 2:00 P.M. thru May 17, 2:00 P.M.

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Pre-board Report

Camp Allen
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see map attached

The Camp Allen Conference Center is in the middle of beautiful woods. We will meet in the large conference room, have meals down the hall, and sleep in double rooms down the hill.

The first meal is dinner on Tuesday, so please eat lunch before arriving. The lifestyle is very informal; you can bring your swim suit, jogging shoes, or hiking boots for the short bursts of free time. Ice is available, bring your own "liquid refreshment" of whatever sort, plus snacks -- cheese, crackers, etc. We have the use of a small refrigerator. There is a soft drink machine (expensive).

The following room assignments have been made pairing old and new board members, smokers separated from non-smokers as best I (Diana) can remember.

Clark - Sarles	Carpenter - Gordon
Brown - Price	Perrine - Bene
Clem - Davis	Sturgis - Lanier
Keever - Gehan	Lovelace - Swift

Wilbur & Shapiro will arrive Wednesday.

AGENDA

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 Board Nuts & Bolts
- Approve appointed members
- Introduction to the State Board Experience
  . . . and games (no more than seven min., I promise) — Clark
- Agenda adjustments
- Office organization - how to make it work
  for you -- and me — Lovelace
  . What the office does and doesn't do
  . Files - a semi-painless system — Clark
    What to keep for how long
    Transferring portfolio files
- Money, how to spend it, how to get yours back -- — Sturgis
  unravelling the budget code; vouchers
- What the board secretary expects — Carpenter/Gordon
- CORES - Program PR Organization — Brown, Clem, Keever
  . What's their purpose, who's in which, are they necessary?
  . Everything a coreperson needs to know about her bailiwick (and everyone else's)

- more -

- Misc. business
  - . Select president *pro tem*
  - . Policy Committee volunteers
  - . Bylaws Committee " (Brown chairs)
  - . Nominating Committee representatives (2)
  - . Council '80; Convention '81 sites
    Board Liaison -
  - . DPM review - who gets what, who keeps track
  - . New ideas from Council '79 Clark/Brown

5:30 Happy hour
6:00 Dinner
7:00 Priorities -- Planning -- Projecting
Part 1 - Brainstorming
Evaluation of last year's goals, from old & new board members' perspectives
Part 2 - Structure to achieve

WEDNESDAY

8:00 Breakfast
8:30 Meet in core committees -- some possible considerations:

Program
- . Calendar planning
- . "Historical Perspective" -- update, do over, eliminate, etc.
- . "We Support"
- . Special session plans
- . Legislative Director - stipend?
- . Review current session's work
- . Program's role in total state League structure *vis-a-vis* local League needs
- . A.J. Adult Corrections consensus questions
- . etc.

Organization Beth & Bartha have already met. Perhaps you could divide up and give the org. component for Program & PR meetings . . .

P.R.
- . Publishing plans & projects (TEF)
- . Voters service calendar (TEF)
- . Who's getting our message?
- . Preliminary Council '80 discussion
- . etc.

Noon Lunch
1:00 P.M. LWV-Texas Plenary Session
- Minutes
- President's report
- Unfinished agenda from Tuesday
- Review and adopt calendar
- Review San Antonio convention; evaluation
- Reports from cores & committees
- Adopt adult corrections consensus questions
- Wichita Falls situation

5:30 Happy hour
6:00 Dinner

- more -

WEDNESDAY EVENING

7:00 P.M. Priorities -- Planning -- Projecting
Part 3 - Strategies for implementing
- Special committees, etc.

THURSDAY MORNING

See TEF sheet

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

12:45 Finish TEF
Final LWV-T business
. Dates to remember

2:00 Adjourn

LWV-Texas Education Fund

THURSDAY

8:00 A.M.	Breakfast	
8:30	LWV-TEF Plenary Session	
	- Elect officers	
	- Discuss executive committee function	
	- Adopt budget	
	- Orientation	
	. Review guidelines (TEF Handbook)	Sturgis
	. Review LL supervisors' role	Sturgis
	- Approve LL projects	Clark
	- Development	
	. Plans for raising money - how, when, why, by whom	Lanier
	. A policy for involving LLs in state or national projects	Lanier
	. Institute for Contemporary Problems project	Lanier
	- "Wingspread" IR project	Clark/Keever
	- New studies	
	. School Finance (plans)	Wilbur
	. Initiative & Referendum (plans)	Keever
	. Adult Corrections update	Clark
Noon	Lunch	
12:45	Finish TEF	

See LWV-T agenda for remaining items

TO: State Board
FROM: Diana Clark

LWV-Texas
May 1, 1979
Preboard

Not only is this my first attempt at planning a three-day board meeting, but I am doing it without running it by the vice presidents first. That is why there is a little note for Tuesday called "agenda adjustments". If things look badly out of kilter or you would like to add something major, either call me before the 11th of May, or speak up on Tuesday.

This is coming to you from Washington D. C. where Beth Brown and I are your delegates to National Council. We have been invited to a briefing by the State Department and then to "have refreshments in the Rose Garden to be joined by the president."

Please bring with you to Navasota---

- green memo from Ethel Sturgis on Guidelines for budget control
- State Board Handbook
- policy guide
- Historical Perspective
- TEF Handbook
- We Support
- Patience, good humor, aspirin, and lots of imagination.

A map for Navasota is enclosed.

Carolyn L. will meet with Carole Shlipak on the 14th and drive with us from Dallas. Caroline Chamblin will not be with us as she has a professional meeting in Boston. Olive Shapiro is receiving a prestigious award from the American Institute of Architects in Dallas on Tuesday night. She will arrive on Wednesday morning somehow. Jan Wilbur has agreed to chair the school finance update off board. She will join us Wednesday also.

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May, 1979
LL Pres. Mailing (2)

TO: LL Presidents, 2 copies (please forward 2nd copy to LL Treasurer)
FROM: Jeanette Vanderwater, Budget Chair

LOCAL LEAGUE SUPPORT FOR 1979-80 STATE BUDGET

Local League support of the state League is based on local League membership as of 1/1/79 x $7.50 state Per-Member Payment, or on minimum support of $250 per local League as voted at the 1979 State Convention.

League	Membership 1/1/79	Support	League	Membership 1/1/79	Support
Abilene	41	$ 307.50	Lubbock	126	$ 945.00
Amarillo	65	487.50	Marshall/Harr. Co.	38	285.00
Austin	263	1972.50	Midland	62	465.00
Bay Area	59	442.50	Odessa	34	255.00
Baytown	44	330.00	Orange Area	35	262.50
Beaumont	139	1042.50	Pearland Area	33	250.00
Brazos County	79	592.50	Plano	23	250.00
Brownsville	32	250.00	Richardson	39	292.50
Corpus Christi	110	825.00	Rockwall County	41	307.50
Dallas	439	3292.50	San Antonio Area	140	1050.00
Denton	90	675.00	San Marcos	45	337.50
Edinburg/McAllen	23	250.00	Sherman	110	825.00
El Paso	55	412.50	Tarrant County	204	1530.00
Gainesville	16	250.00	Temple Area	57	427.50
Galveston	166	1245.00	Tyler	32	250.00
Harlingen	17	250.00	Victoria	80	600.00
Houston	612	4590.00	Waco Area	105	787.50
Irving	75	562.50	Wichita Falls	49	367.50
Lamar County	42	315.00			
				3684	$27,580.00

Please check your membership count as of 1/1/79 and support amount. If you have any questions or changes, let the state office know as soon as possible.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

ADOPTED BUDGET 1979 - 1980

INCOME

A. Support		
1. Local League Support		
a. Per-Member Payment	$ 27,580.00	Based upon a per-member payment of $7.50, with seven Leagues paying the minimum, $250.00.
b. Contributions	-0-	Voluntary contributions in addition to the PMP.
2. State Unit Support		
a. Member Dues	940.00	Forty-seven members at $20 each.
b. Finance Effort	400.00	State Units pay 25% of their finance receipts to LWV-Texas.
3. Dues, Members at Large	680.00	Thirty-four MALs at $20 each.
4. Provisional League Support	-0-	None anticipated at this time.
5. Contributing Memb. Supp. (nat'l)	75.00	State's share of this.
6. Nat'l Fundraising, state share	20.00	LWV-T part of national fundraising.
Sub-total A	29,695.00	
B. Interest on Savings	600.00	Interest on investments & svgs. acct.
C. Sale of Publications		
1. DPMs	1800.00	Ninety at $20 each.
2. Standing Orders	1400.00	Two hundred at $7 each.
3. Publications on Hand	400.00	Sale of publications on hand.
4. "We Support"	800.00	Sale of 1979-81 edition.
Sub-total C	4400.00	
D. Contributions		
1. Member Cash	50.00	Member contributions to LWV-Texas.
2. State Fundraising	6875.00	Non-member contributions to LWV-T.
3. State bd. & committees, non-cash	-0-	Budgeted board & comm. expenses, not reimbursed.
Sub-total D	6925.00	
E. Contractual Services	-0-	None this fiscal year.
F. Convention/Council		
1. Council 1980	3000.00	Council fees, matched by expense item P. 3.
G. Professional Assistance	2500.00	Donated services from advertising agency and auditor.
TOTAL INCOME	$47,120.00	

EXPENSES

N. State Office		
1. Equipment Maintenance	655.00	Mimeo, $130; typewriters $135; postage meter, $170; postage scale $50; mail machine $120; misc. $50.
2. General Supplies	1500.00	Supplies not charged to a specific budget item.
3. Postage	1500.00	Postage not charged to a specif. item.
4. Telephone	1000.00	All phone costs except high-cost LD calls charged to other budget items.
5. Insurance	190.00	Fire $17; liability $52; bonding $42; burglary $28; workman's comp. $50.
6. Rent	4176.00	Sixty cents/square ft.
7. Salaries	11510.00	Exec. secy., full time @ $625/mo.; Clerk-typist, 5 hrs./day @ $310/mo.; additional 100 hrs. at minimum.
8. Payroll Taxes	1313.00	Social Sec., state unemployment tax, fed. unemployment tax.
9. Audit & Tax Report	375.00	Audit books & prepare tax report.
10. Equipment Purchases	50.00	Miscellaneous equipment.
11. Office Overhead	(3000.00)	Difference betw. actual supply cost & 6¢/page charged to other budget items.
12. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(6423.00)	1/3 of state office expense based upon time spent on TEF.
Sub-total N	12846.00	
O. Board and Administrative		
1. President		
a. Travel, per diem, & Representation	1200.00	Fourteen 2-day visits to state ofc., additional money for other trips.
b. Secretarial Assistance	300.00	Eight hrs./minth at minimum wage.
c. Telephone	350.00	League phone in president's home.
d. Postage & Supplies	120.00	Xeroxing, etc.
2. Treasurer	275.00	LD phone calls, supplies, etc.
3. Board of Directors		
a. Tools	510.00	Nineteen DPMs, four LASs, misc.
Training	623.00	Expenses for extra day for board members and other costs.
b. Board Meetings, March	1726.00	Held with Council.
June, Sept., Jan.	3827.00	Held at Rather House, $1275 each.
November (mini)	890.00	Held in homes.
c. Administration	200.00	Phone, supplies, postage not handled by state office.
d. Mailings to Board	1500.00	Weekly mailings to bd; bi-weekly to off-bd., includes material & postage.
4. Administrative Committees		
a. Budget	211.00	Expenses of 3 members to Nov. mtg. & other costs.
b. Development	250.00	Expenses of fundraising.
c. Interim Committees	300.00	Expenses of bd. members for special comm. mtgs. held between bd. mtgs.
d. Nominating	142.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
5. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(4011.00)	1/3 of "Board & Administrative" except Development & Nominating
Sub-total O	8413.00	

EXPENSES (cont.)

P.	Convention/Council		
	1. State Council, 1980	3000.00	All Council costs, incl. exp. of Budget Chair, Nom. Comm. (3), & others invited by st. board. Excludes costs for st. bd.
	2. National Convention, 1980	1450.00	3 delegates to Washington, D.C.
	Sub-total P	4450.00	
Q.	National Services		
	1. MAL PMP	340.00	$10 each based upon 1/1/79 count.
	2. State Units, PMP	470.00	$10 each based upon 1/1/79 count.
	Sub-total Q	810.00	
R.	Public Relations		
	1. Vice President's Expense	150.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
	2. VOTER	3230.00	4 issues; update mailing list twice.
	3. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(1292.00)	40% of VOTER costs
	4. PSA Slides	100.00	Subject(s) to be determined.
	5. Publications		
	a. DPMs	1800.00	90 at $20 each.
	b. Standing Orders	1400.00	200 at $7 each.
	c. Publications on Hand	180.00	Distribution costs.
	d. Legislative Newsletter	70.00	1 issue after June 1, 1979.
	e. "We Support"	700.00	New edition.
	Sub-total R	6338.00	
S.	Organization		
	1. Vice President's Expense	200.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
	2. Field Service		
	a. Reps. & Director	2100.00	Travel, phone, supplies, postage.
	b. Special Consultants	300.00	Upon request of LL & under direction of Field Service Director.
	3. Workshops	304.00	Special workshop for LL presidents.
	4. "Project Outreach"	1000.00	New project to organize new Leagues & strengthen existing weak Leagues.
	5. New Leagues	100.00	
	6. Membership	250.00	Expenses of memb. committee. Cost of membership aids for LLs.
	7. Provisional League	-0-	None
	8. State Unit Support	250.00	Leadership materials & special services for state units.
	9. Mailings to state units	329.00	47 MALs at $7 each.
	10. Mailings to MALs	238.00	34 MALs at $7 ea.; 10 monthly mailings.
	11. Mailings to LL Presidents	1800.00	10 monthly mailings to LL presidents.
	12. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(473.00)	1/5 of cost of mailings to LLPs, SU, MALs.
	Sub-total S	6398.00	
T.	Program		
	1. Vice President's Expense	300.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
	2. Program Action	2500.00	AJ, Energy, Water, HR: $375 ea. Govt., Air, PTR: $200 ea. CZM-LU: $100. SW, IR: $25 ea. Uncommitted: $250.
	3. Coalitions	100.00	Dues to other organizations.
	Sub-total T	2900.00	
U.	Legislative Office	250.00	Final wrap-up after June 1, 1979.
V.	Professional Assistance (in-kind)	2500.00	Advertising agency & auditor
W.	LL Share of State Fundraising	2215.00	Percentage of state fundraising.
	TOTAL EXPENSES	$47,120.00	

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

ADOPTED BUDGET 1979 - 1980

	INCOME		
A.	Contributions		
	1. Unrestricted	$ ~~10,244~~ 11394	Results of state-wide fund raising after local league share of unrestricted and restricted contributions have been posted to item A4.
	2. Tribute Gifts	600	Memorial gifts.
	3. Restricted Cash	63,550	Total gift less administrative fee.
	4. Local League Restricted Funds	10,650	No administrative fee on $4,000. A 5% administrative fee on ~~$7,000~~. 6650.
	5. State League Share of National Fund Raising	28,[illegible]	Texas's share of national fund raising.
	Sub-Total A	$ ~~85,054~~ 86,222	
B.	Interest	$ 2,600	Interest on investments.
C.	Administrative Fees		
	1. Local League Accounts	$ ~~350~~ 332	Five percent of ~~$7,000 raised by LL~~ 6650 for LL projects.
	2. Restricted Grants	300	Administrative fee on these grants.
	Sub-Total C	$ ~~650~~ 632	
D.	Sale of Publications		
	1. Voter Guides	$ 4,000	An amendments election, Nov. 1979, and the primary, May 1980, matched by item O1f.
	2. Public Subscription Serv.	600	Publications sent to public on a subscription service.
	3. Current Issue Publication	1,600	Matched items, P1 and P2a.
	Sub-Total D	$ 6,200	
E.	Special Fund Raising Event	$ 1,150	Profit only from an event.
F.	Professional Assistance	$ 3,000	Donated services from an advertising agency and the auditor.
	TOTAL INCOME	$ ~~98,654~~ 99804	

	EXPENSES		
N.	Shared Services with LWV-Texas and Administration		
	1. Shared Services		
	a. Office Overhead	$ 6,423	One-third of item N (LWV-T budget), based upon time spent.
	b. Trutees Meetings, etc.	4,011	One-third of item O (LWV-T budget) excluding O4b and O4d, based on time.
	c. VOTER	1,292	Forty percent of item R3 (LWV-T)
	d. Mailings	473	One-fifth of items S 8-10 (LWV-T)
	2. Administration	200	Supervision of local league accounts.
	Sub-Total N	$ 12,399	

a. VS/CI Chair 150

LWV-TEF ADOPTED BUDGET (cont'd)

EXPENSES (cont'd)

O.	Public Relations, Unrestricted		
	1. Voter Service and Citizen Educ.	150	
	a. Communications	$ 200	Free mailings to the public.
	c ~~b.~~ Public Service Announc.	400 ~~200~~	Announcements on citizen participation.
	d ~~c.~~ League News Service	100 ~~300~~	Costs of preparation and distribution of state wide news releases.
	e ~~d.~~ Precinct Participation	100	Information on precinct participation.
	f ~~e.~~ Voter Guides	4,000	Cost of the Guides for an amendment election, 1979, and primary, 1980. Matched by sales, item D1.
	2. Development		
	a. External Contributions	1,000	Cost of non-member solicitation.
	b. Membership Contributions	255	Cost of member solicitation including memorial gifts.
	Sub-Total O	$ ~~6,055~~ 6205	
P.	Program, Unrestricted		Public cost for AS & G 900.
	1. Current Issue Development	$ ~~800~~ 900	Research and publication costs for "Leaders Guide" on ~~two items~~.
	2. Publications		PSF 500; I+R 9300.
	a. Current Issue (2)	~~800~~ 1200	Printing costs for ~~one~~ 2 F&I-type publications.
	b. Public Subscription Service	600	Cost of publications and postage.
	c. Promotion	100	Promotional costs for sale of pubs.
	3. Monitoring	~~500~~ 200	Costs of monitoring selected governmental agencies.
	4. Research and Resource Activities	300	Background material for conducting workshops, producing publications, etc.
	5. Education Conferences	200	Attendance at selected conferences.
	Sub-Total P	$ ~~2,000~~ 4000	
Q.	Publications and Projects, Restricted	$ 63,550	State board will draft proposals.
R.	Local League Restricted Fund		
	1. Projects	$ 6,650	LL projects approved by state board (exclude 5% fee)
	2. Purchases	4,000	Authorized expenditures not subject to 5% administrative fee.
	Sub-Total R	$ 10,650	
S.	Professional Assistance (in-kind)	$ 3,000	Donated services by advertising agency and the auditor.
	TOTAL EXPENSES	~~$ 98,654~~ 99,804	

LWV-TEF
May, 1979
Preboard

FROM: Lois Carpenter
RE: TEF Projects

TEF PROJECTS (Projects of the Fund itself)

Completed - None yet...

Pending

Criminal Justice in Texas--Corrections. (F&I) In process.

Energy: A Dialogue III. Postponed for a few months.

E.Q. Mini-Grant. Just need financial clearance. Sturgis is waiting on last bill.

How the Legislature Works. Writing due to be finished soon? Publication postponed to prior to the 1981 legislative session.

Nuclear Waste Documentary. To be finished this month.

When You Go to Austin. Just need project director's report from Tilley (???) and financial clearance from Sturgis.

New - We gave tentative approval of these at the last two board meetings, but did not have all the details. My feeling is that they have been approved in concept only.

International Trade.(LWVEF pass-through with some funds to be raised witin the state during the summer. See Feb. TEF minutes on National Trade Conf.) Still needs Project Request Form and Supervisor. I assume Pearl Wincorn is to be Director since she attended the conference and would be expected to carry through.

Conference on Bases of Environmental Regulation. (Leftover Tenneco funds--see March TEF minutes on Possible New Project and April 1 quickie mtg.) This still needs "everything"--PRF, Director and/or Supervisor.

LOCAL LEAGUE PROJECTS

Austin

Voters Guide for Nov., 1978 election. Just need supervisor's evaluation. Clem is working on it.

Citizen's Guide to Austin. Cannot receive financial clearance until all copies are sold probably by June.

Voter's Key. Just approved at March board meeting. Already gone to press. Tilley approved copy.

Dallas

City budget-making. Publications and workshops done. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Perrine and financial clearance from Sturgis.

Zoning ordinances. Publication and units done. Need evaluation from Polter and financial clearance from Sturgis.

Local League Projects, cont'd

Dallas, cont'd Voters Guides for November, 1978. Done. Financial clearance rec'd. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Clem.

Voters Guides for April, 1979 elections. Postponed due to postponed election.

Denton Your Elected Officials brochure. To be printed this month. Cummins is supervisor.

Irving Mental health services brochure. Was printed in late Feb. or March I think. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Shlipak and financial clearance from Sturgis.

San Antonio Voters Guides for November, 1978. Done. Financial clearance from Sturgis received. Just need supervisor's evaluation from Clem.

Urban Crisis Seminar. Held Feb.2. Need supervisor's evaluation from Coggeshall and financial clearance from Sturgis. (Cog. had written for, but not yet received the reports from S.A. as of mid-Apr.)

Tax relief seminar. Held on March 2. Need evaluation from Cummins and $$clearance from Sturgis.

Voters Guides for April city election. Presumably done. Need evaluation from Appel and $$ clearance from Sturgis.

San Marcos Survey of Hays County. Published last fall. I am supervising--supposedly. Have called in Jan. and written in March and April asking for report forms. Will call again before May board meeting.

Tarrant Co. Voters Guides for April elections. Presumably done. Need evaluation and $$ clearance, both from Sturgis.

NEW PROJECT REQUESTS

Waco Area Directory of Elected Officials for Waco Area.
10,000 copies on colored paper, 8 1/2 x 11 flyer. Names of elected officials of area communities & school districts, plus national & state officials.

To be distributed through libraries, city halls, schools, mail outs.

Proposed project director - Nita Sue Kent 772-6710
10013 Shadowcrest, Waco 76710

Printing	$300.00
volunteers' exp.	50.00
Total requested	350.00

Project Supervisor_____

April 26, 1979

PRE BOARD REPORT

Meg Titus

Air Quality

Work toward passage of CSHB 726 on the floor of the Senate will continue. Though there has been some questioning of the LWV-T position on the bill, I have continued to work primarily toward its passage and secondarily toward getting some strengthening amendments attached. Senator Clower has agreed to present them on the Senate floor--a choice made by several of us who were concerned that presenting them in the Economic Development committee might prove counterproductive..... As you recall passage of inspection/maintenance legislation this session is mandatory if the EPA is to approve the Texas State Implementation Plan by the deadline of June 30, 1979. It will not be approvable without I/M legislation--this is from the "horse's mouth". Hence our priority for passage of the bill over strengthening amendments. I would like to see the improved "comflict of interest" amendment fly but I think the others will actually make little difference in the manner in which the TACB implements the CAAAA of 1977 as the federal act takes precedence over any state legislation or plan.

I am also continuing work on the two-sides-of-one-page flow chart on the Clean Air Act--a request from the LWVUS EQ committee. It has been a long and painful process to condense this complex legislation into two pages--in fact the regional official with whom I am working on it still feels that we may not be able to do it in that small a space. We do hope to have a tool, though, which can be used by all state and local Leagues in assessing the implementation of their SIPs and further as preparation for responding to an LWVUS call to action when (not if) the attack on the CAAA comes in Congress.

As a result of attending the EPA-sponsored I/M conference in Austin in April I am now coordinator for the North Central Texas Regional Task Force for I/M. We have been approved for but have not yet received an EPA grant of $2000 to accomplish public education efforts in this part of the state during the two year period alloted in CSHB 726 for a pilot volunteer I/M project in Houston. Several Leaguers are working on the task force and we plan to do TV spots for free emissions testing in two locations in Dallas and Fort Worth during Clean Air Week (April 30-May 5), plan to establish a speakers bureau , set up shopping center demonstrations on reducing emissions, talk to as many organizations and drivers education classes as possible and do TV spots and Voters Digest types of things to raise community awareness about the advantages of an I/M program.

For next year I see the I/M task force work as our primary effort throughout the state. Also monitoring of the Houston pilot program and monitoring of the TACBs implementation of the SIP will be important. Additional and continuing efforts will have to be made to keep our Congressional delegation aware of our position against gutting the Clean Air Act will require some time and effort. It will probably be a busy air year even without a legislative session!

Toni's Pre-board at-board May

Alas, the Paris Community Theatre is doing "Mame" the first week in June and I am reduced to the role of technical advisor for Agnes Gooch (a part I had intended to sing)...so much for summer... Even my fantasies have degenerated into dull scenes of me on the beach at Acapulco...tan and slim...so much for fantasies...

The attached sheet breaks down, for your perusal, the PR core into functions and services. I would appreciate any additions and subtractions. I am all for figuring out what we should do, can do, have the personnel to do, will do well, eliminating the rest and proceeding.

"Now, be careful not to squander your clout heedlessly."

PR CORE

PUBLICATIONS

Design
Proofreading
Liaison with printer
Inventory management and reporting
Promotion
Management of promotional offerings
Management guidelines (to lls)

TEXAS VOTER

Management guidelines (to lls)
Enviro-Notes

PRESS RELEASES

Sample press releases to local leagues
Direct PRs to media

SERVICES TO MEDIA

Editorials
Feature Stories League News Service
Public Service Announcements--slide, film, printed media, etc.
(creation, implementation)

VS/CI

Voters Guide preparation
PSA's--content
Liaison between government and lls (information and direction)
Management and direction -- lls
Development of lls vs/ci materials
Development of statewide campaigns

Public interest lobbyists: The Don Quixotes of legislature

By SARALEE TIEDE
Times Herald Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — They don't take legislators to lunch, usually because they don't have the money. They don't hang around with other lobbyists at the Quorum Club — some of them are teetotalers.

And, unlike professional lobbyists who may take home $30,000 for a session's work, they often work for nothing on a part-time basis.

They are public interest lobbyists, and, as such, they don't speak for the kind of special interests that the powerful trade associations with political action committees do. And they don't provide the financial fuel for political campaigns.

Instead, these lobbyists with a special interest for the consumer often represent the poor, the aged and the powerless. And, in a legislative session preoccupied with tax relief and bureaucratic belt-tightening, their agenda of social programs and social reform is not particularly in fashion.

"The poor, the children, the elderly in genuine need don't go vote, and legislators understand that," said Phil Strickland, lobbyist for the Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Strickland, an attorney who has birddogged the legislature for the Baptists since 1969, is pushing for a whole portfolio of unpopular issues — higher payments for welfare children, more community services for delinquents, protective services for the elderly and a state juvenile probation system.

All those things cost money that the legislature is not in a mood to spend.

"The main thing we have to contend with is a multitude of powerful lobbies who want state funds directed toward their interests," Strickland said. "Some major lobby is protecting every dollar we're after."

Strickland has the sometimes thankless task of pointing out that this booming Sunbelt state harbors the three metropolitan areas with the lowest per capita incomes in the country (Brownsville, Edinburg and Laredo), that Texas has more people living below the poverty line than any other state and that children on welfare are expected to live on payments of $32.58 a month.

To increase those payments, which have not been raised in 10 years despite an inflation rate of 74 per cent, to $41.39 per month would cost the state $77 million.

"I've been accused of being totally unreasonable," Strickland said. "I'm not unreasonable. The state has been unreasonable and insensitive.

"We do all we can to keep children in need from getting anything and later we have to deal with overflowing prisons and mental hospitals and probation systems bursting at the seams. Our band-aid approach is much more expensive in the long run."

Strickland may have a discouraging task but at least he is paid for his trouble. Jan Albers, lobbyist for the League of Women Voters, works more than 40 hours each week out of sheer dedication.

Her priority agenda includes welfare payments (outlook bleak), property tax reform (outlook doubtful), county ordinance-making power (a perennial loser) and funds for the Jail Standards Commission (not one of the best-loved state agencies).

Both property tax reform and county ordinance-making power are opposed by the Texas Real Estate Association, one of the better heeled and active business lobbies. Realtors have successfully buried both bills in two past sessions.

"I'm not discouraged though I must admit its looking rather bleak," said Mrs. Albers, a housewife and mother of three whose husband ironically is a Realtor.

"There's always another session. Very often it takes from six to 10 years for legislation to pass, and we in the league are used to long-term projects."

"But I will have to say that we've spent enough time on property tax reform. The time has come when it should be enacted into law."

Like other public-interest lobbyists, Mrs. Albers can't depend on campaign contributions or lavish parties to attract legislators' attention. Her main weapon is the pressure league members throughout the state can exert on their hometown representatives.

"Probably the most important thing I do is write a weekly newsletter informing all our chapters," Mrs. Albers said. "They make the contacts with legislators."

The Sierra Club is another volunteer army, and Stuart Henry, an Austin lawyer who tries to keep track of water legislation, said "it's frustrating as hell."

"We don't have any money. When we go out to lunch with a legislator, he buys. The only thing we've got going for us is some sort of credibility. We're not in it for personal gain."

"This session we're just trying to cover ourselves," Henry continued. "We've got one positive bill — a ban on disposable bottles — but that won't even come out of committee, so mainly we're trying to stop the bad stuff."

Among the so-called "bad stuff" is a bill initiated by the Trinity River Authority that Henry believes is designed to circumvent a vote by Dallas taxpayers on the Dallas floodway project. Voters last year turned the project that would have been financed by general obligation (tax supported) bonds.

The bill by Sen. W. T. "Bill" Moore, D-Bryan, passed the Senate without opposition, Henry said, because no one could figure out what it would do. TRA officials say only that it would "update" their power to issue bonds.

"They've never won an election so they're trying to legislate themselves around that problem," Henry said, adding that he hopes to bottle up the bill in a House subcommittee.

Perhaps no lobbyists represent a more disadvantaged group than Charles and Pauline Sullivan, the representatives of CURE (Citizens United For the Rehabilitation of Errants), a prison reform lobby financed mainly by the families of prison inmates.

Sullivan, a Catholic priest turned activist, found out about jails first-hand when he was arrested in San Antonio during a civil rights demonstration. Since then he and his wife have devoted all their efforts to improving the corrections system.

This session, they are hard-pressed to protect one of the advances they worked hard for four years ago, the Jail Standards Commission, in danger of losing its funds if not its life at the hands of an unsympathetic legislature.

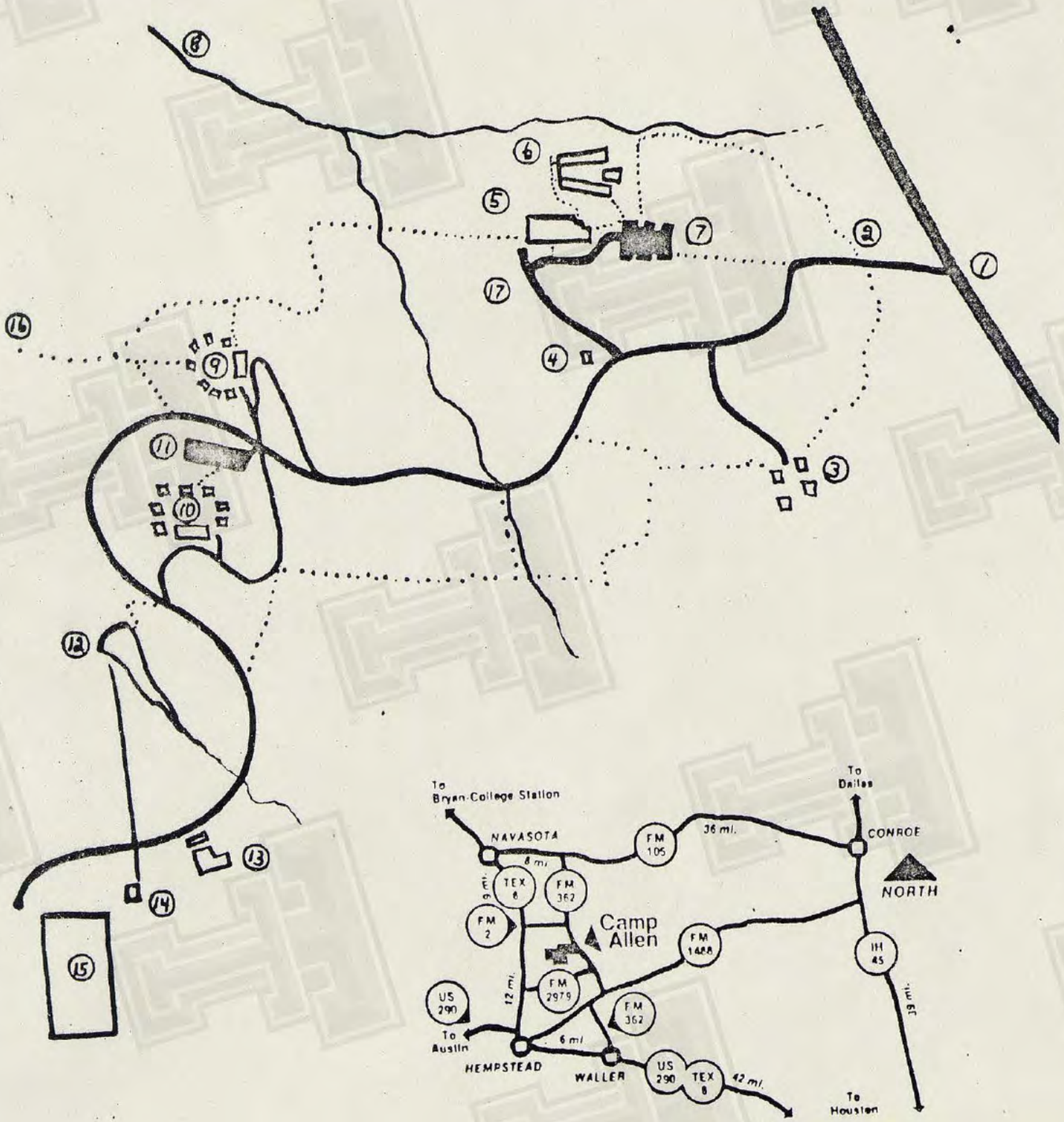
Another people's lobby working on prison improvements is Texas IMPACT, an organization of major religious groups established to give those with no voice in government some represen tion.

Donna Brandon, a social worker w lobbies for IMPACT, is backing wa for prison inmates, a juvenile proba system, collective bargaining for fa workers and higher welfare payments.

IMPACT's membership includes Texas Catholic Conference, the Am can Jewish Committee and governi bodies of Methodists, Presbyterians other major denominations, but it is exactly rolling in cash.

"We don't wine and dine," Ms. Bra don said. "We provide facts and figu I don't think a lobby of church org zations could operate any other w Lack of money may put us at a di vantage, but our whole base is a m and ethical one. There are some thi we can't do."

"It's true the climate isn't very go this session, maybe because we have Republican governor," she said. "But never been easy in Texas. We alw have an uphill battle."



1. Main Entrance to Camp Allen off FM 362.
2. Trails are indicated by.....
3. Maintenance yard, shop, and Maintenance supervisor's res.
4. The Rector's home.
5. Camp Allen Center and administrative offices.
6. Motel-type housing and 40' pool - 32 room - cap. 96.
7. Parking lot.
8. Creek.
9. Campsite #1 - capacity 65
10. Campsite #2 - capacity 65.
11. Parking lot.
12. Lake and picnic grounds.
13. 50 meter olympic pool and bathhouse.
14. Lodge - capacity 26.
15. Athletic field.
16. To wilderness campsites.
17. Site of future chapel.

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Camp Allen
Rt. 1, Box 146
Navasota, Tx. 77868
(713) 825-7175

State Board Meeting & Retreat
May 15, 2:00 P.M. thru May 17, 2:00 P.M.

LWV of Texas
May, 1979
Pre-board Report

Camp Allen
[redacted]

see map attached

The Camp Allen Conference Center is in the middle of beautiful woods. We will meet in the large conference room, have meals down the hall, and sleep in double rooms down the hill.

The first meal is dinner on Tuesday, so please eat lunch before arriving. The lifestyle is very informal; you can bring your swim suit, jogging shoes, or hiking boots for the short bursts of free time. Ice is available, bring your own "liquid refreshment" of whatever sort, plus snacks -- cheese, crackers, etc. We have the use of a small refrigerator. There is a soft drink machine (expensive).

The following room assignments have been made pairing old and new board members, smokers separated from non-smokers as best I (Diana) can remember.

Clark - Sarles	Carpenter - Gordon
Brown - Price	Perrine - Bene
Clem - Davis	Sturgis - Lanier
Keever - Gehan	Lovelace - Swift

Wilbur & Shapiro will arrive Wednesday.

AGENDA

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 Board Nuts & Bolts
- Approve appointed members
- Introduction to the State Board Experience
  . . . and games (no more than seven min., I promise) — Clark
- Agenda adjustments
- Office organization - how to make it work for you -- and me — Lovelace
  . What the office does and doesn't do
  . Files - a semi-painless system — Clark
    What to keep for how long
    Transferring portfolio files
- Money, how to spend it, how to get yours back -- unravelling the budget code; vouchers — Sturgis
- What the board secretary expects — Carpenter/Gordon
- CORES - Program PR Organization — Brown, Clem, Keever
  . What's their purpose, who's in which, are they necessary?
  . Everything a coreperson needs to know about her bailiwick (and everyone else's)

- more -

- Misc. business
  . Select president *pro tem*
  . Policy Committee volunteers
  . Bylaws Committee " (Brown chairs)
  . Nominating Committee representatives (2)
  . Council '80; Convention '81 sites
    Board Liaison -
  . DPM review - who gets what, who keeps track
  . New ideas from Council '79 Clark/Brown

5:30 Happy hour
6:00 Dinner
7:00 Priorities -- Planning -- Projecting
  Part 1 - Brainstorming
    Evaluation of last year's goals, from old & new board members' perspectives
  Part 2 - Structure to achieve

WEDNESDAY

8:00 Breakfast
8:30 Meet in core committees -- some possible considerations:

Program
. Calendar planning
. "Historical Perspective" -- update, do over, eliminate, etc.
. "We Support"
. Special session plans
. Legislative Director - stipend?
. Review current session's work
. Program's role in total state League structure *vis-a-vis* local League needs
. A.J. Adult Corrections consensus questions
. etc.

Organization Beth & Bartha have already met. Perhaps you could divide up and give the org. component for Program & PR meetings . . .

P.R.
. Publishing plans & projects (TEF)
. Voters service calendar (TEF)
. Who's getting our message?
. Preliminary Council '80 discussion
. etc.

Noon Lunch
1:00 P.M. LWV-Texas Plenary Session
- Minutes
- President's report
- Unfinished agenda from Tuesday
- Review and adopt calendar
- Review San Antonio convention; evaluation
- Reports from cores & committees
- Adopt adult corrections consensus questions
- Wichita Falls situation
- Insurance

5:30 Happy hour
6:00 Dinner

- more -

WEDNESDAY EVENING

7:00 P.M. Priorities -- Planning -- Projecting
Part 3 - Strategies for implementing
- Special committees, etc.

THURSDAY MORNING

See TEF sheet

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

12:45 Finish TEF
Final LWV-T business
. Dates to remember

2:00 Adjourn

LWV-Texas Education Fund

THURSDAY

8:00 A.M.	Breakfast	
8:30	LWV-TEF Plenary Session	
	- Elect officers	
	- Discuss executive committee function	
	- Adopt budget	
	- Orientation	
	. Review guidelines (TEF Handbook)	Sturgis
	. Review LL supervisors' role	Sturgis
	- Approve LL projects	Clark
	- Development	
	. Plans for raising money - how, when, why, by whom	Lanier
	. A policy for involving LLs in state or national projects a	Lanier
	. Institute for Contemporary Problems project	Lanier
LK is superv	- "Wingspread" IR project	Clark/Keever
	- New studies	
	. School Finance (plans)	Wilbur
	. Initiative & Referendum (plans)	Keever
	. Adult Corrections update	Clark
Noon	Lunch	
12:45	Finish TEF	

See LWV-T agenda for remaining items

TO: State Board
FROM: Diana Clark

LWV-Texas
May 1, 1979
Preboard

Not only is this my first attempt at planning a three-day board meeting, but I am doing it without running it by the vice presidents first. That is why there is a little note for Tuesday called "agenda adjustments". If things look badly out of kilter or you would like to add something major, either call me before the 11th of May, or speak up on Tuesday.

This is coming to you from Washington D. C. where Beth Brown and I are your delegates to National Council. We have been invited to a briefing by the State Department and then to "have refreshments in the Rose Garden to be joined by the president."

Please bring with you to Navasota---

- green memo from Ethel Sturgis on Guidelines for budget control
- State Board Handbook
- policy guide
- Historical Perspective
- TEF Handbook
- We Support
- Patience, good humor, aspirin, and lots of imagination.

A map for Navasota is enclosed.

Carolyn L. will meet with Carole Shlipak on the 14th and drive with us from Dallas. Caroline Chamblin will not be with us as she has a professional meeting in Boston. Olive Shapiro is receiving a prestigious award from the American Institute of Architects in Dallas on Tuesday night. She will arrive on Wednesday morning somehow. Jan Wilbur has agreed to chair the school finance update off board. She will join us Wednesday also.

LWV-Texas
May, 1979
LL Pres. Mailing (2)

TO: LL Presidents, 2 copies (please forward 2nd copy to LL Treasurer)
FROM: Jeanette Vanderwater, Budget Chair

LOCAL LEAGUE SUPPORT FOR 1979-80 STATE BUDGET

Local League support of the state League is based on local League membership as of 1/1/79 x $7.50 state Per-Member Payment, or on minimum support of $250 per local League as voted at the 1979 State Convention.

League	Membership 1/1/79	Support	League	Membership 1/1/79	Support
Abilene	41	$ 307.50	Lubbock	126	$ 945.00
Amarillo	65	487.50	Marshall/Harr. Co.	38	285.00
Austin	263	1972.50	Midland	62	465.00
Bay Area	59	442.50	Odessa	34	255.00
Baytown	44	330.00	Orange Area	35	262.50
Beaumont	139	1042.50	Pearland Area	33	250.00
Brazos County	79	592.50	Plano	23	250.00
Brownsville	32	250.00	Richardson	39	292.50
Corpus Christi	110	825.00	Rockwall County	41	307.50
Dallas	439	3292.50	San Antonio Area	140	1050.00
Denton	90	675.00	San Marcos	45	337.50
Edinburg/McAllen	23	250.00	Sherman	110	825.00
El Paso	55	412.50	Tarrant County	204	1530.00
Gainesville	16	250.00	Temple Area	57	427.50
Galveston	166	1245.00	Tyler	32	250.00
Harlingen	17	250.00	Victoria	80	600.00
Houston	612	4590.00	Waco Area	105	787.50
Irving	75	562.50	Wichita Falls	49	367.50
Lamar County	42	315.00			
				3684	$27,580.00

Please check your membership count as of 1/1/79 and support amount. If you have any questions or changes, let the state office know as soon as possible.

LWV-Texas
May, 1979
Directory

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

ADOPTED BUDGET 1979 - 1980

INCOME

A. Support		
1. Local League Support		
a. Per-Member Payment	$ 27,580.00	Based upon a per-member payment of $7.50, with seven Leagues paying the minimum, $250.00.
b. Contributions	-0-	Voluntary contributions in addition to the PMP.
2. State Unit Support		
a. Member Dues	940.00	Forty-seven members at $20 each.
b. Finance Effort	400.00	State Units pay 25% of their finance receipts to LWV-Texas.
3. Dues, Members at Large	680.00	Thirty-four MALs at $20 each.
4. Provisional League Support	-0-	None anticipated at this time.
5. Contributing Memb. Supp. (nat'l)	75.00	State's share of this.
6. Nat'l Fundraising, state share	20.00	LWV-T part of national fundraising.
Sub-total A	29,695.00	
B. Interest on Savings	600.00	Interest on investments & svgs. acct.
C. Sale of Publications		
1. DPMs	1800.00	Ninety at $20 each.
2. Standing Orders	1400.00	Two hundred at $7 each.
3. Publications on Hand	400.00	Sale of publications on hand.
4. "We Support"	800.00	Sale of 1979-81 edition.
Sub-total C	4400.00	
D. Contributions		
1. Member Cash	50.00	Member contributions to LWV-Texas.
2. State Fundraising	6875.00	Non-member contributions to LWV-T.
3. State bd. & committees, non-cash	-0-	Budgeted board & comm. expenses, not reimbursed.
Sub-total D	6925.00	
E. Contractual Services	-0-	None this fiscal year.
F. Convention/Council		
1. Council 1980	3000.00	Council fees, matched by expense item P. 3.
G. Professional Assistance	2500.00	Donated services from advertising agency and auditor.
TOTAL INCOME	$47,120.00	

EXPENSES

N. State Office		
1. Equipment Maintenance	655.00	Mimeo, $130; typewriters $135; postage meter, $170; postage scale $50; mail machine $120; misc. $50.
2. General Supplies	1500.00	Supplies not charged to a specific budget item.
3. Postage	1500.00	Postage not charged to a specif. item.
4. Telephone	1000.00	All phone costs except high-cost LD calls charged to other budget items.
5. Insurance	190.00	Fire $17; liability $52; bonding $42; burglary $28; workman's comp. $50.
6. Rent	4176.00	Sixty cents/square ft.
7. Salaries	11510.00	Exec. secy., full time @ $625/mo.; Clerk-typist, 5 hrs./day @ $310/mo.; additional 100 hrs. at minimum.
8. Payroll Taxes	1313.00	Social Sec., state unemployment tax, fed. unemployment tax.
9. Audit & Tax Report	375.00	Audit books & prepare tax report.
10. Equipment Purchases	50.00	Miscellaneous equipment.
11. Office Overhead	(3000.00)	Difference betw. actual supply cost & 6¢/page charged to other budget items.
12. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(6423.00)	1/3 of state office expense based upon time spent on TEF.
Sub-total N	12846.00	
O. Board and Administrative		
1. President		
a. Travel, per diem, & Representation	1200.00	Fourteen 2-day visits to state ofc., additional money for other trips.
b. Secretarial Assistance	300.00	Eight hrs./minth at minimum wage.
c. Telephone	350.00	League phone in president's home.
d. Postage & Supplies	120.00	Xeroxing, etc.
2. Treasurer	275.00	LD phone calls, supplies, etc.
3. Board of Directors		
a. Tools	510.00	Nineteen DPMs, four LASs, misc.
Training	623.00	Expenses for extra day for board members and other costs.
b. Board Meetings, March	1726.00	Held with Council.
June, Sept., Jan.	3827.00	Held at Rather House, $1275 each.
November (mini)	890.00	Held in homes.
c. Administration	200.00	Phone, supplies, postage not handled by state office.
d. Mailings to Board	1500.00	Weekly mailings to bd; bi-weekly to off-bd., includes material & postage.
4. Administrative Committees		
a. Budget	211.00	Expenses of 3 members to Nov. mtg. & other costs.
b. Development	250.00	Expenses of fundraising.
c. Interim Committees	300.00	Expenses of bd. members for special comm. mtgs. held between bd. mtgs.
d. Nominating	142.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
5. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(4011.00)	1/3 of "Board & Administrative" except Development & Nominating
Sub-total O	8413.00	

EXPENSES (cont.)

P. Convention/Council		
1. State Council, 1980	3000.00	All Council costs, incl. exp. of Budget Chair, Nom. Comm. (3), & others invited by st. board. Excludes costs for st. bd,
2. National Convention, 1980	1450.00	3 delegates to Washington, D.C.
Sub-total P	4450.00	
Q. National Services		
1. MAL PMP	340.00	$10 each based upon 1/1/79 count.
2. State Units, PMP	470.00	$10 each based upon 1/1/79 count.
Sub-total Q	810.00	
R. Public Relations		
1. Vice President's Expense	150.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
2. VOTER	3230.00	4 issues; update mailing list twice.
3. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(1292.00)	40% of VOTER costs
4. PSA Slides	100.00	Subject(s) to be determined.
5. Publications		
a. DPMs	1800.00	90 at $20 each.
b. Standing Orders	1400.00	200 at $7 each.
c. Publications on Hand	180.00	Distribution costs.
d. Legislative Newsletter	70.00	1 issue after June 1, 1979.
e. "We Support"	700.00	New edition.
Sub-total R	6338.00	
b. Prog. Briefs	500.00	
S. Organization		
1. Vice President's Expense	200.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
2. Field Service		
a. Reps. & Director	2100.00	Travel, phone, supplies, postage.
b. Special Consultants	300.00	Upon request of LL & under direction of Field Service Director.
3. Workshops	304.00	Special workshop for LL presidents.
4. "Project Outreach"	1000.00	New project to organize new Leagues & strengthen existing weak Leagues.
5. New Leagues	100.00	
6. Membership	250.00	Expenses of memb. committee. Cost of membership aids for LLs.
7. Provisional League	-0-	None
8. State Unit Support	250.00	Leadership materials & special services for state units.
9. Mailings to state units	329.00	47 MALs at $7 each.
10. Mailings to MALs	238.00	34 MALs at $7 ea.; 10 monthly mailings.
11. Mailings to LL Presidents	1800.00	10 monthly mailings to LL presidents.
12. LWV-TEF Reimbursement	(473.00)	1/5 of cost of mailings to LLPs, SU, MALs.
Sub-total S	6398.00	
T. Program		
1. Vice President's Expense	300.00	Supplies, postage, phone.
2. Program Action	2500.00	AJ, Energy, Water, HR: ~~$375~~ 350 ea. Govt., Air, PTR: $200 ea. CZM-LU: ~~$100~~ 350. ~~SW~~, IR: ~~$25~~ 50 ea. Uncommitted: ~~$250~~ 200.
3. Coalitions	~~100~~ 50.00	Dues to other organizations.
Sub-total T	2900.00	
U. Legislative Office	250.00	Final wrap-up after June 1, 1979.
V. Professional Assistance (in-kind)	2500.00	Advertising agency & auditor
W. LL Share of State Fundraising	2215.00	Percentage of state fundraising.
TOTAL EXPENSES	$47,120.00	

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

ADOPTED BUDGET 1979 - 1980

INCOME

A.	Contributions		
	1. Unrestricted	11,394 ~~$ 10,244~~	Results of state-wide fund raising after local league share of unrestricted and restricted contributions have been posted to item A4.
	2. Tribute Gifts	600	Memorial gifts.
	3. Restricted Cash	63,550	Total gift less administrative fee.
	4. Local League Restricted Funds	10,650	No administrative fee on $4,000. A 5% administrative fee on ~~$7,000~~. 6650.
	5. State League Share of National Fund Raising	~~10~~ 38	Texas's share of national fund raising.
	Sub-Total A	$ ~~85,054~~ ~~85,072~~ 86,222	
B.	Interest	$ 2,600	Interest on investments.
C.	Administrative Fees		
	1. Local League Accounts	$ ~~350~~ 332	Five percent of ~~$7,000~~ 6650 raised by LL.
	2. Restricted Grants	300	Administrative fee on these grants.
	Sub-Total C	$ ~~650~~ 632	
D.	Sale of Publications		
	1. Voter Guides	$ 4,000	An amendments election, Nov. 1979, and the primary, May 1980, matched by item ~~01f.~~ O.1.f.
	2. Public Subscription Serv.	600	Publications sent to public on a subscription service.
	3. Current Issue Publication	1,600	Matched items, P1 and P2a.
	Sub-Total D	$ 6,200	
E.	Special Fund Raising Event	$ 1,150	Profit only from an event.
F.	Professional Assistance	$ 3,000	Donated services from an advertising agency and the auditor.
	TOTAL INCOME	~~$ 98,654~~ 99,804	

EXPENSES

N.	Shared Services with LWV-Texas and Administration		
	1. Shared Services		
	a. Office Overhead	$ 6,423	One-third of item N (LWV-T budget), based upon time spent.
	b. Trutees Meetings, etc.	4,011	One-third of item O (LWV-T budget) excluding O4b and O4d, based on time.
	c. VOTER	1,292	Forty percent of item R3 (LWV-T)
	d. Mailings	473	One-fifth of items S 8-10 (LWV-T)
	2. Administration	200	Supervision of local league accounts.
	Sub-Total N	$ 12,399	

LWV-TEF ADOPTED BUDGET (cont'd)

EXPENSES (cont'd)

O.	Public Relations, Unrestricted		
	1. Voter Service and Citizen Educ.		
	b ~~a.~~ Communications	$ 200	Free mailings to the public.
	c ~~b.~~ Public Service Announc.	400 ~~200~~	Announcements on citizen participation.
	d ~~c.~~ League News Service	100 ~~300~~	Costs of preparation and distribution of state wide news releases.
	e ~~d.~~ Precinct Participation	100	Information on precinct participation.
	f ~~e.~~ Voter Guides	4,000	Cost of the Guides for an amendment election, 1979, and primary, 1980. Matched by sales, item D1.
	a. ~~ff.~~ V.S./Chair	~~[illegible]~~ 150	
	2. Development		
	a. External Contributions	1,000	Cost of non-member solicitation.
	b. Membership Contributions	255	Cost of member solicitation including memorial gifts.
	Sub-Total O	$ ~~6,055~~ 6205	
P.	Program, Unrestricted		
	1. Current Issue Development	$ ~~800~~ 900	Research and publication costs for "Leaders Guide" on two items.
	2. Publications		
	a. Current Issue (1)	~~800~~ 1200	Printing costs for ~~one~~ two F&I-type publication.
	b. Public Subscription Service	600	Cost of publications and postage.
	c. Promotion	100	Promotional costs for sale of pubs.
	3. Monitoring d. Emm Note (4)	500 200	Costs of monitoring selected governmental agencies.
	4. Research and Resource Activities	300	Background material for conducting workshops, producing publications, etc.
	5. Education Conferences	200	Attendance at selected conferences.
	Sub-Total P	$ ~~3,000~~ ~~3500~~ 4000	
Q.	Publications and Projects, Restricted	$ 63,550	State board will draft proposals.
R.	Local League Restricted Fund		
	1. Projects	$ 6,650	LL projects approved by state board.
	2. Purchases	4,000	Authorized expenditures not subject to 5% administrative fee.
	Sub-Total R	$ 10,650	
S.	Professional Assistance (in-kind)	$ 3,000	Donated services by advertising agency and the auditor.
	TOTAL EXPENSES	~~$ 98,654~~ ~~99,654~~ 99804	

A) #100; PSF #500; I+R #300

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LWV-TEF
May, 1979
Preboard

FROM: Lois Carpenter
RE: TEF Projects

TEF PROJECTS (Projects of the Fund itself)

Completed - None yet...

Pending

Criminal Justice in Texas--Corrections. (F&I) In process.

Energy: A Dialogue III. Postponed for a few months.

E.Q. Mini-Grant. Just need financial clearance. Sturgis is waiting on last bill.

How the Legislature Works. Writing due to be finished soon? Publication postponed to prior to the 1981 legislative session.

Nuclear Waste Documentary. To be finished this month.

When You Go to Austin. Just need project director's report from Tilley (???) and financial clearance from Sturgis.

New - We gave tentative approval of these at the last two board meetings, but did not have all the details. My feeling is that they have been approved in concept only.

International Trade.(LWVEF pass-through with some funds to be raised witin the state during the summer. See Feb. TEF minutes on National Trade Conf.) Still needs Project Request Form and Supervisor. I assume Pearl Wincorn is to be Director since she attended the conference and would be expected to carry through.

Conference on Bases of Environmental Regulation. (Leftover Tenneco funds--see March TEF minutes on Possible New Project and April 1 quickie mtg.) This still needs "everything"--PRF, Director and/or Supervisor.

LOCAL LEAGUE PROJECTS

Austin

Voters Guide for Nov., 1978 election. Just need supervisor's evaluation. Clem is working on it.

Citizen's Guide to Austin. Cannot receive financial clearance until all copies are sold probably by June.

Voter's Key. Just approved at March board meeting. Already gone to press. Tilley approved copy. completed

Dallas

City budget-making. Publications and workshops done. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Perrine and financial clearance from Sturgis.

Zoning ordinances. Publication and units done. Need evaluation from Polter and financial clearance from Sturgis.

Local League Projects, cont'd

Dallas, cont'd Voters Guides for November, 1978. Done. Financial clearance rec'd. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Clem.

Voters Guides for April, 1979 elections. Postponed due to postponed election.

Denton Your Elected Officials brochure. To be printed this month. Cummins is supervisor.

Irving Mental health services brochure. Was printed in late Feb. or March I think. Need Supervisor's evaluation from Shlipak and financial clearance from Sturgis.

San Antonio Voters Guides for November, 1978. Done. Financial clearance from Sturgis received. Just need supervisor's evaluation from Clem.

Completed

Urban Crisis Seminar. Held Feb.2. Need supervisor's evaluation from Coggeshall and financial clearance from Sturgis. (Cog. had written for, but not yet received the reports from S.A. as of mid-Apr.)

Tax relief seminar. Held on March 2. Need evaluation from Cummins and $$clearance from Sturgis.

Voters Guides for April city election. Presumably done. Need evaluation from Appel and $$ clearance from Sturgis.

San Marcos Survey of Hays County. Published last fall. I am supervising--supposedly. Have called in Jan. and written in March and April asking for report forms. Will call again before May board meeting.

Tarrant Co. Voters Guides for April elections. Presumably done. Need evaluation and $$ clearance, both from Sturgis.

NEW PROJECT REQUESTS

Waco Area Directory of Elected Officials for Waco Area.
10,000 copies on colored paper, 8 1/2 x 11 flyer. Names of elected officials of area communities & school districts, plus national & state officials.

To be distributed through libraries, city halls, schools, mail outs.

Proposed project director - Nita Sue Kent 772-6710
10013 Shadowcrest, Waco 76710

Printing	$300.00
volunteers' exp.	50.00
Total requested	350.00

Project Supervisor Cath G.

April 26, 1979

PRE BOARD REPORT

Meg Titus

Air Quality

Work toward passage of CSHB 726 on the floor of the Senate will continue. Though there has been some questioning of the LWV-T position on the bill, I have continued to work primarily toward its passage and secondarily toward getting some strengthening amendments attached. Senator Clower has agreed to present them on the Senate floor--a choice made by several of us who were concerned that presenting them in the Economic Development committee might prove counterproductive..... As you recall passage of inspection/maintenance legislation this session is mandatory if the EPA is to approve the Texas State Implementation Plan by the deadline of June 30, 1979. It will not be approvable without I/M legislation--this is from the "horse's mouth". Hence our priority for passage of the bill over strengthening amendments. I would like to see the improved "comflict of interest" amendment fly but I think the others will actually make little difference in the manner in which the TACB implements the CAAAA of 1977 as the federal act takes precedence over any state legislation or plan.

I am also continuing work on the two-sides-of-one-page flow chart on the Clean Air Act--a request from the LWVUS EQ committee. It has been a long and painful process to condense this complex legislation into two pages--in fact the regional official with whom I am working on it still feels that we may not be able to do it in that small a space. We do hope to have a tool, though, which can be used by all state and local Leagues in assessing the implementation of their SIPs and further as preparation for responding to an LWVUS call to action when (not if) the attack on the CAAA comes in Congress.

As a result of attending the EPA-sponsored I/M conference in Austin in April I am now coordinator for the North Central Texas Regional Task Force for I/M. We have been approved for but have not yet received an EPA grant of $2000 to accomplish public education efforts in this part of the state during the two year period alloted in CSHB 726 for a pilot volunteer I/M project in Houston. Several Leaguers are working on the task force and we plan to do TV spots for free emissions testing in two locations in Dallas and Fort Worth during Clean Air Week (April 30-May 5), plan to establish a speakers bureau , set up shopping center demonstrations on reducing emissions, talk to as many organizations and drivers education classes as possible and do TV spots and Voters Digest types of things to raise community awareness about the advantages of an I/M program.

For next year I see the I/M task force work as our primary effort throughout the state. Also monitoring of the Houston pilot program and monitoring of the TACBs implementation of the SIP will be important. Additional and continuing efforts will ha ve to be made to keep our Congressional delegation aware of our position against gutting the Clean Air Act will require some time and effort. It will probably be a busy air year even without a legislative session!

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memorandum

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BOBBETTE'S BELATED (PRE) BOARD BILLET DOUX

At a Natural Resources Core (are we spelling that Core or Corps?) meeting at Meg's, I was shillelaghed into doing a pre-board. Missed the deadline because of some heavy legislative action going down; so here:

This report is an overview of my current thinking for Land Use activities during the coming year.

As you know, I've been closely involved in the developing Texas Coastal Management Program, which has had heavy sledding all the way, and looks precarious at this point.

Whether or not the program flies, I propose forming a cadre of coastal leaguers who will in turn develop and implement a full-blown coastal coalition to monitor coastal agency activities and do an on-going public awareness program for coastal issues. I think the timing for this activity is exactly right; I think leaguers are ready for this, as are other environmental groups down there. And I have far-flung contacts with most of the appropriate organizations, not just the league, which will help.

I think it's important that all N.R. board and off-board chairs help with this effort as much as their busy schedules permit.

Now, unless somebody says cease and desist, I intend to begin by writing local leagues down there and setting up an early September meeting to draw up plans!

ADDENDUM: I have a call in to the OCZM in D.C., to see if they could spring for a grant of $2000 or $3000 for travel money and organizational seed money. More later.

Bobbette